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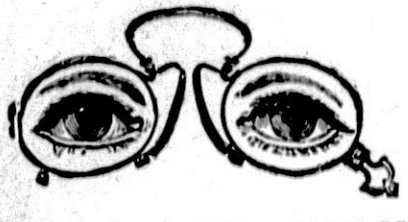
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Ottawa County Times.

VOL. VII.

HOLLAND, MICHIGAN, MARCH 25, 1898.

NO. 10



W. R. STEVENSON
Graduate Optician.

Examination Free. Satisfaction Guaranteed.

Office over C. A. Stevenson's Jewelry Store.
No. 24 East Eighth Street.

It Is Not . . An Accident

That we have the
Largest Repair Trade
In Ottawa County.

It Is Not . . AN ACCIDENT

That we sell more goods
than any other Jewelers in
the County.

—IT IS—

Because the people have
confidence in us, because our
work is right, our prices
right and because we treat
our customers right.

Call and see our new
SPRING GOODS
and look over our line of
WHEELS.

**Breyman
& Hardie**

JEWELERS AND OPTICIANS,

Cor. Eighth Street and Central Ave.

No Cards

Will be issued, but
all are cordially in-
vited to attend the

**Millinery
Opening**

At the Millinery Store of

Goodrich & Shaw

New Walsh Block, on

**Wednesday,
MARCH 30
1898.**

Tandem To Rent.
A fine new World tandem to rent.
Prices reasonable.
Arthur Baumgartel.

Democratic People's Union Silver Caucus.
The Democratic People's Union Silver City, district and ward caucuses of the city of Holland will be held on Friday, March 25, 1898, at 7:30 o'clock p. m., at the Lyceum Opera House, for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various city, district and ward offices, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be presented.

By Order of the Democratic People's Union Silver City Comm.,
WM. O. VAN DYCK, Chairman.
HERMAN DAMSON, Secretary.
Holland, Mich., March 17, '98.

LOCALISMS.

Spring arrived last Sunday, Mar. 20. The aged Mr. Beeuwkes is indisposed lately. He is over 82 years old.

Mrs. Alexander Balgooyen is recovering from an illness of several months.

The sum of \$58.34 was collected Sunday at Hope church for the Cuban relief fund.

Rev. J. Marcusse of Grand Haven, well known here, has accepted a call to Richland.

Rev. W. G. Baas of Beaverdam will preach in the Fourth Reformed church next Sunday.

The regular spring session of the class Holland will convene on Wednesday, April 6, at 10:30 a. m. at Zeeland.

G. J. Diekema says that the report that he is a candidate for congress, as intimated by Grand Rapids papers, is erroneous.

The old lady Mrs. Kollen of Overisel will be 95 years of age next Monday. She is beyond doubt the oldest person in this vicinity.

Theological student J. Engelsman will preach at the Pine Creek school house next Sunday evening in the Dutch language.

Daniel G. Tangney of Ludington will take the place of Geo. C. Robinson in the life saving crew at this port. Mr. Robinson will take a place in the crew at Ludington.

The board of trustees of the classical board of benevolence will meet in their regular spring session on Tuesday, April 5, at 10:30 a. m. in the First Reformed church in this city.

K Zuidewind sold two houses this week for C. Vink of Grand Rapids. One on Sixth street was purchased by Derk Steketee for \$600, and the other on Seventh street by Gerrit Van Zanten for \$450.

Mrs. Jasper De Sein gave birth to twins Wednesday and died that evening. The twins were still born. Deceased was 33 years and leaves a husband. The family reside about three miles north of the city.

The body of an unknown woman was found in Bruce Bayou in Crockery township near the Spring Lake line on Monday. The remains had evidently been in the water about six months and were so badly decomposed that it could not be identified.

Patrick J. Walsh, the oldest locomotive engineer running out of Grand Rapids, has in 30 years traveled 2,000,000 miles, equivalent to 80 trips around the earth. He has never met with an injury, his train is always on time and he has never been sick.

There are at present in attendance upon the University of Michigan 31 students from Ottawa county. Allegan county has 21 and Muskegon 12. Of the members from this county Grand Haven contributes 13, Holland 7, Berlin 1, Dennison 1, Berrington 1, Sand Creek 1, West Olive 2 and Zeeland 4.

Saugatuck Commercial: Any damage to the peach buds by reason of extreme cold is now no longer probable, and there is as good promise as there ever was at this time of year for a most abundant fruit crop in this part of the state. Peach trees of nearly all varieties are well laden with buds and they are in a hardy condition.

John Sprick, of Vriesland, died Monday afternoon at the home of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Johannes Sprick. He had been there on a visit and was taken with pneumonia about ten days ago. His family were all at the bedside. Mr. Sprick was about 68 years old and was a brother of Henry Sprick, the liveryman of this city.—Grand Haven Tribune.

The following ticket was put up at the citizens' caucus in Holland township yesterday afternoon: Supervisor—Geo. H. Souter; clerk—W. E. Bond; treasurer—C. Huizinga; highway commissioner—John Westenbroek; school inspector—W. F. Douma; school inspector, to fill vacancy—A. Hyma; member of board of review—John Leenhouts; justice—John Stegeman; constables—John Meeuwse, John Van Dyk, Henry Hazekamp, W. Josselyn. There was a good attendance at the caucus and A. Rosbach was chairman and W. E. Bond, secretary. The ticket is considered a strong one and should receive the support of the voters of Holland township.

Let all friends of silver attend the caucus to-night.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Walsh entertained the Century Club on Monday evening.

J. Schuurman, the barber, has moved his shop from River street to East Eighth street.

Next Monday Capt. Morton expects to take the crew of the life saving station to Grand Haven for examination.

Rev. T. W. Mulenberg of Grand Rapids, well known here, has received a unanimous call to the First Reformed church at Grand Haven.

By the breaking of a shaft on one of the floors in the Cappon & Bertsch tannery on Monday a score of hands were obliged to take a holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Visscher entertained about fifty of the teachers and officers of the Third Reformed church Sunday school last Friday evening.

At Grand Haven the Democrats will nominate Jacob Baar for mayor. Mr. Baar is very popular with the citizens of Grand Haven and his election will be almost unanimous.

Invitations are out to the wedding of Henry Russcher and Miss Alice Walcott at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Walcott, at Drenthe, on Wednesday, April 6.

Signs of spring are in evidence all over town. Back yards are being cleaned and the many little improvements, incidental to this season are going on about the homes of the city.

Mrs. Dubbink will lead the Y. W. C. A. gospel meeting Saturday evening at 8 o'clock. Subject: The Christian Life, Its Beginning. The New Birth. John 3:1-12. All ladies are invited to attend.

During the month of February the Coopersville creamery received 73,264 pounds of milk, and made 3,856 pounds of butter. Each 100 pounds of milk made 5½ pounds of butter. The price paid patrons was 17.8.

Chas. H. Hackley, the Muskegon millionaire, has stated that he will give that city statues of Lincoln, Grant, Sherman and Farragut at a cost of \$20,000. His gifts to Muskegon nearly amount to half a million.

H. J. Van der Kolk of Vriesland, brought to town Tuesday a Poland-China hog, weighing 648 pounds dressed. Wm. Van der Veere was the purchaser. The animal measured 6 ft. and 4 inches around and the same in length.

Charles B. Hopper, who has been appointed general passenger and freight agent of the Holland & Chicago Boat Line left this week for Chicago where he will have his office at No. 1 State street. Mr. Hopper is an experienced business man and will make a good addition to the force of officers of this popular line.

On Monday Judge Padgham granted a decree of divorce to one Mrs. Emily E. Schwander of Jamestown, from her husband on the ground of desertion. She immediately left the court room and with a man in waiting went downstairs to the clerk's office and obtained a marriage license. The man's name was Anthony Steffes also of Jamestown. Justice Kollen, who was there, was called in to perform the wedding ceremony and the couple left. The time to get the divorce and perform the marriage took about 20 minutes.

The sale of lands delinquent for taxes of 1895 and prior years will be held at the offices of the county treasurers, beginning May 3d, 1898. Attention is called to this sale so that you may assure yourself that you have not neglected to pay the tax of 1895. If you have not already done so, you should obtain a copy of the published list from the newspaper in your county publishing the same, or in the county where your lands are located, and carefully examine it for description of your own lands. A little care and time spent now may save you a great deal of annoyance after your lands are sold.

It has been a long time since wild animals have been seen in this locality. This morning, however, at an early hour a bear tried to get into the hog pens of Cyrus Wise located across the river. When the steamer Nyack got in at 4 a. m. this morning, Mate George Honner noticed the animal plodding along at the foot of the big hill. The dogs were heard barking just before and undoubtedly frightened the bear from the pen. Today the tracks of the bear could be plainly seen and Cyrus is at the head of an expedition in search of the animal. It is believed to be in the region about the sag. Two or three years ago a bear was seen near the Estes place. A year or two before that a deer jumped into the river from the north pier and swam to the south beach. Wild cats have been killed in very recent years in the woods near Ferrysburg. The party in search of the bear today, hope to find Bruin before night.—Grand Haven Tribune.

ANOTHER RAILROAD.

"It never rains but pours," and Holland is not only to have new factories, new railroads to the resorts and to Saugatuck but also another railroad to Grand Rapids.

Parties have been quietly at work for two weeks past securing the right of way for an electric road from Grand Rapids to Holland, through Jamestown and Zeeland townships. Application has also been made to the Holland township board for a franchise for the road. The gentlemen interested in the project were in Holland on Thursday. They say that the arrangements for the money necessary have all been made and that the road will be completed by August 1st, 1898.

The proposed line will be south of the C. & W. M. Railway.

At Holland connection will be made with the Holland and Lake Michigan electric road.

PERSONAL.

Arie Van Zanten spent Sunday at Grand Haven visiting relatives.

Dr. J. A. Mabbs is entertaining his father from Allegan this week.

Mrs. Isaac Goldman and daughter are making a four weeks visit in Kalama-zoo.

M. Yalomstein, of the Boston Store, is in Chicago on business.

Mrs. T. White of Benton Harbor, is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. L. E. Van Drezer.

Supervisor Dykema was in Battle Creek Monday.

Miss Edith Barnard of the North side, celebrated her 9th birthday last Saturday. Twenty-six of her play mates were there. She received many presents and all enjoyed a good time.

The proprietor of the Boston store was in Chicago this week on business. That means that more bargains will be offered at the store. Read ad.

All families need groceries and when a saving can be made in that line, provided the goods are first-class, all prudent housekeepers will appreciate the bargains offered in the new ad. of Will Botsford & Co.

It is about time to have a spring suit made and attention is called to the new ad. of Will Brusse & Co. the clothiers. They are at present offering some rare bargains in clothing.

Footwear should be comfortable and neat. Both qualities can be secured in the goods offered by S. Spruijsma, the shoe dealer. Read ad.

J. Elferdink, Jr., is offering some choice lines of shoes to the public this spring. Read ad.

Whether drugs are pure or adulterated is often a serious matter. Be satisfied that when you get prescriptions filled it will have the effect that is intended. Read ad of Central Drug Store.

House cleaning and paper hanging season is here. The attention of housekeepers is called to the new ad of Jas. A. Brouwer, the furniture and paper dealer. The most complete line at lowest prices.

Have you seen the beautiful goods displayed at the store of A. V. Loomis? The finest gold and silver, diamond, fine china, cut glass, etc. Read ad.

Be sure and call on Wm. Brusse & Co. to examine their fine line of children's suits for spring. The Little Giant suit is giving excellent satisfaction to all who have tried it.

Geo. Hyma is now the proud owner of a neat little 19 pound World racer.

Wm. Brusse & Co. have an extraline of H. S. & M. top coats to show this week, having sold out completely their first lot.

Notice.

Whereas my wife has left my bed and board I hereby notify the public that I will not be responsible for any debts contracted by her.

JOE NUISMER.
Holland, March 24, 1898.

TO CONTRACTORS.
Bids will be received for furnishing material and constructing a residence in Holland. Plans at the office of Jas. Price, Architect J. C. Post.
March 25, 1898. 10-1w

If you want a good overcoat, go to Lokker & Rutgers.

SURREY FOR SALE.

I have a good, double-seated Surrey, which I offer for sale cheap. Enquire of owner at Corner of Pine and 16th str.

FARM FOR SALE.

40 acres on section 2 of the township of Georgetown, known as the Jacob Van der Vane farm, being a part of the south half of the north-west quarter. Make me an offer.

E. S. FULLER,
77 Houseman Building.
Grand Rapids, Mich.

John Essenburg has purchased a Victor bicycle.

Gunter's Candies.
We have just received a fine assortment of Gunter's delicious bon bons. MARTIN & HUIZINGA.

3 Days Sale! 3

Monday, - Wednesday, - Friday.

Cotton Toweling.

For these three days (make sure the days) we place on sale 2000 yards 17-inch Checked Toweling, never sold for less than 5c a yard, but for these three days

2 Yards for 5c.

This sale will be for three days—Monday, Wednesday and Friday—but we advise you to come the first day, as we will not sell any more than 2000 yards at this price; so we cannot guarantee to have it for three days. You take the hint?

Thread Sale!

At the same time we place on sale 100 dozen Clark's 200 yards Machine Thread

2 Spools for 5c.

This is not a basting thread, but a good machine thread, and if not satisfactory return it and your money will be cheerfully refunded.

This is the Store for Bargains.

John Vandersluis.

N. B.—New stock of Ready-made Dress Skirts and Shirt Waists.

YOUR FRIENDS WILL TELL YOU ...



HOW becoming the new clothes are when they see you in one of Hart, Schaffner & Marx ready-tailored suits or top coats, and you'll have the inward satisfaction of knowing you wear the best that money can buy. The H. S. & M. suits are guaranteed.

THE BEST TAILOR CAN'T BEAT THE FIT, AND AT OUR PRICES THEY'RE AS EASY TO BUY AS HALF THE COMMONPLACE, THROWN-TOGETHER CLOTHING

that has neither style, shape nor good workmanship to recommend them.

HART, SCHAFFNER & MARX.

H. S. & M.

GUARANTEED CLOTHING.

Call and examine our large line of Ready-to-Wear Clothing.

Corner River and Eighth Streets.

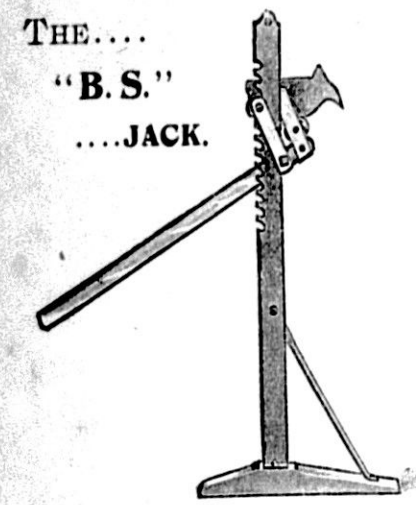
... WM. BRUSSE & CO.

HOLLAND PEOPLE

CAN'T DISPUTE EVIDENCE OF PEOPLE
RIGHT HERE AT HOME.

Doubt has always held a prominent part in man's belief and it can be held accountable for most of the upheavals or defections from old established creed and for more than one difference in existing political opinions, but the greatest follower of the redoubtable Ingersoll in Holland will go back on his champion's teachings if he doubts the evidence of his senses or disbelieves anything he can personally investigate. The reader is asked to investigate the case of Mrs. F. Andree, of 243 West 12th street, who says: "For a year or more I suffered a great deal with my kidneys, a constant aching pain through my loins, in the side and also a soreness of the stomach. I could hardly stoop over to lift anything without suffering severely. I did not rest comfortably at night and became so lame and sore from lying in one position that in the morning I arose feeling tired and unrefreshed. I was bothered a great deal with headaches, dizziness, and the kidney secretions became affected, were irregular, too frequent and unnatural. I doctored a great deal and took many kinds of medicine but without getting better. I believe I would still be suffering if I had not heard about Doan's Kidney Pills and procured them from J. O. Doesburg's drug store. I felt better after taking the first few doses and I continued their use for a time and have since then enjoyed good health. Doan's Kidney Pills are a thoroughly reliable and honest medicine and I can highly recommend them."

Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no substitute. For Sale by J. O. Doesburg, druggist.



The best Wagon Jack made.
Manufactured and for sale by
B. S. E. TAKKEN,
Central Avenue. [3] HOLLAND, MICH.

FOR SALE.

LOTS and HOUSES.

If you want a bargain in a low or medium priced house and lot or vacant lots I can talk to you.

I have a number of very desirable lots and also several houses in the south part of the city which I will sell at low prices and easy terms.

For particulars call on
GERRIT M. TUBERGEN,
Cor. Central Ave. and 16th St.

Chinese Primroses

—AND—
CINERARIES I

I have a fine stock of these plants, which are favorites with everybody; also Cyclamens, Daisies, Carnations, and Ferns. I also have a large assortment of the very finest Bulbs, Hyacinths, Tulips, Roman Hyacinths, etc. These will soon commence to bloom.

Chas. S. Dutton
FLORIST.

Opp. Hope Church, Holland.

CASTORIA.
The family signature is on every wrapper.

One Minute Cough Cure, cures.
That is what it was made for.

OTTAWA COUNTY TIMES.

M. G. MANTING, Publisher.

MARCH 25, 1898.

W. J. BRYAN'S GOOD ADVICE.

It is more important that we support our newspapers than that we assemble at banquets.—W. J. BRYAN at Jackson Day Banquet.

IN GEVAL VAN OORLOG.

De Vereenigde Staten, Spanje en Harm Israel.

[The following is from our local Dutch poet, H. Israel, and will perhaps be appreciated by our Dutch readers.—Ed.]

Komt dapp'ren! grijpt het zwaard in d'hand;
Grijpt naar geweer en lood.
't Geld hier niet Roomsche of Protestants,
Maar 't is om 't dierbaar Vaderland,
Ter hulp! dat is in nood!
Wiens boezem kookt niet, is in brand?
Waak op voor 't dierbaar vaderland,
En schied die moeders dood.

Legt af de politieke haat,
't Gaat hier om eer en recht,
Republikein en Democrant
Wees broeders, wordt tezaam soldaat,
Die twist hier bijgelegd.
Ook geeft religieus twist geen baat.
't Geld d'eer der vlag, wees dan soldaat,
Rukt uit, o dapp'ren! vegt.

O, Hollandsch volk! tot u een woord,
Met Hollandsch bloed in 't hart.
Die leeft in dit gelukkig oord!
Denk aan Filips en Alva's moord,
Denk aan de vaderen smart.
Of heeft de tijd die haat gesmoord?
Vergat gij Filips' en Alva's moord?
Doorboort den Spanjaard 't hart.

Waak op, waak op, met leeuwenmoed.
Doe een drie-dubb'le daad,
Wreek nu der dierbre vaderen bloed,
Waarmee dat Neerland werd gevoed,
Wreek dat, o Hollandsch zaad!
Bij 't krijgsmuziek ten strijd gespoed,
Wreek ook 't geplengd Cubaansche bloed,
Roef uit het Spaansche zaad.

Trek op, met Uncle Sam aan 't hoofd,
Die niet dat Spanje ducht,
't Heeft ons een laffe trek gestoofd,
Ondoor verraad de Maine ontroofd.
En joeg haar in de lucht
Dat bloed dekt ook hun schand'lijk hoofd,
Die satanstrek, ons valsche gestoofd,
Schreeuwte wrake door de lucht.

Neen niet geboden om den vree,
Wij zijn genoeg getergd,
Maar 't zwaard manmoedig uit de schee,
En slaat er in, geef bouw en snee,
Wij zijn genoeg getergd,
Komt, trek met d'oorlogs helmen mee,
God zeg 'ne ons dat zij de bee,
Wij zijn tot wrak geveerd.

'k Ben reeds al twee-en-zestig jaar,
Maar voel nog jong en kras,
Om met de fere heldenschaar
Te deelen in het krijgsgevaar,
Als of ik dertig was.
O dapp'ren! ik hoop men vindt mij daar
Met 't zwaard in de hand, in 't krijgsgevaar
In blauwe broek en jas.

En heb ik een Spanjoel gedood,
Dan koelt mijn woede af,
'k Hoop broeders! 'k ben uw lotgenoot,
En eet met u 't soldaten brood.
'k Ben oud, maar nog niet laf,
En word ik in het vuur gedood,
God help mijn gade uit den dood,
Ik rust met eer in 't graf.

HARM ISRAEL.

Holland, Mich., Maart, 1898.

The new game law forbids the shooting of snipe in the spring. Sportsmen in some portions of the state want the law repealed.

The house committee on rivers and harbors have decided not to report a bill at this session. This is made necessary in consequence of the deficiency under the Dingley bill.

It must be that Hanna is not very popular at home. In the late republican city primaries at Cleveland the anti-Hanna republicans swept everything. This is not a good showing for the boss.

The tax-burdened, poverty-pinched Spanish people are crying for bread and the government is giving them larger war appropriations.

The Boston Globe thinks that Spain must be almost sorry that she ever gave Columbus money to discover the United States. If she ever declares war against us she will make another discovery that will dwarf that of 1492.

In selecting young trees for the orchard or for shade, Michigan grown varieties, from stock inured to this climate, are the only plants from which success may be confidently expected.

A meeting of the democratic state central committee will be held April 5 at 12 o'clock noon at the Russell house parlors in Detroit. The Mohawk club will give a banquet in the evening and William J. Bryan and other distinguished speakers will be present.

The United States can obtain no glory in thrashing Spain. We will deplore the necessity of such a duty, should it be thrust upon us, but the chastisement will be thoroughly administered if there is no honorable alternative.—Cincinnati Commercial Bulletin.

The man who believes in restoring silver to the position it occupied prior to 1873, or in free coinage of 16 to 1, belongs in the democratic party and the man who believes in the single gold standard by rights should identify himself with the republican party, for this is to be the main political issue until the question is definitely settled.

State Food Commissioner Grosvenor is going to analyze the baking powder sold in this state and publish the result. He says he believes that some of the cheaper grades sold are injurious to health or a fraud.

Mayor Carter Harrison of Chicago is going to write a booklet upon the silver and free coinage question, have it profusely illustrated and put it into the hands of every democrat in the state of Illinois if he can.

Ex-President Harrison says: "We must inaugurate, and at once, a system that shall equalize tax burdens," and adds that "men of wealth in our great communities should lead the movement." It is a wise and timely warning. Yet when a few years ago the democrats passed a law to secure a small measure of justice—the income tax—"men of wealth" combined to secure its nullification by the supreme court.

John D. Rockefeller is fifty-two years of age, and his present wealth is estimated at \$200,000,000. His income is supposed to be about \$12,000,000 per annum, or \$1,000,000 per month. The Boston Globe estimates that if he lives to be three score and ten he may easily be worth half a billion—and if the ratio of his gain for the coming twenty years is equal to that of the last twenty he will be a billionaire, provided he lives twenty years more and continues to exercise the same skill and energy as a money getter.

In every state where local elections have been held this spring the Democrats have won phenomenal victories. Even in New Hampshire and New Jersey—two goldbug states—they have made great gains. Indeed, the outlook generally for the republicans is so gloomy that the Chicago Times-Herald, the leading administration organ in the West, is frantically imploring McKinley to hurry up the war with Spain in order to save the country from a free silver victory. It says that war is the only thing that will enable the republicans to make any showing whatever in next fall's election; and we guess it is right.

There are those who profess to believe in bimetalism, but think the ratio should be higher than 16 to 1, say 20 to 1, or 32 to 1.—ratios nearer the present market ratios of the two metals. Let these people remember that 16 to 1 is the ratio between all our gold and silver coin. Such a change of ratio would necessitate recoinage with great loss to our government or to the holders of silver coins.

If our mint ratio was changed to 21 to 1 or 32 to 1 it would throw us out of harmony with the coinage of foreign nations. If all the silver of the world were recoined at 32 to 1 there would be only half as many silver dollars, thus destroying one-fourth of the metallic money of the world. This shrinkage in the primary money would enormously increase the debts of the world—a calamity from which we have already suffered enough.

Several centuries of bimetalism have demonstrated that 16 to 1 is the natural ratio between gold and silver and that when freely coined at this ratio they approximate parity. This parity was maintained until the link, free coinage of each, which held them together was broken. This parity was broken by hostile legislation against silver. Corresponding friendly legislation will bring them together again. The cry for a higher ratio is started by our enemies for the purpose of dividing our forces. The ratio of the Chicago platform is right and every true silver man will cling to it.—Marshall News.

FAMILY OF FOUR ON \$200 PER YEAR

A Wisconsin Teacher Maintains His Family Well and Saves Half His \$405 Salary.

A. H. Zander contributes an article to the March Ladies' Home Journal in which he tells how he maintains a family of four persons—his wife, two children and himself—on \$200 per year. He is a school teacher and is paid a salary of \$405, out of which he saves and puts out at interest \$200 yearly. Living in a small Wisconsin town he has the advantage of cheap rents, his house costing him \$36 per year. His other expenses are: provisions, \$94.82; clothing and footwear, \$38; magazines and newspapers, \$5; incidentals, \$40.

"Our meals," Mr. Zander writes, "we find abundant in quantity and variety. For breakfast we have coffee, coffee-cake, bread and butter, with eggs, or fried ham occasionally. For dinner we have boiled potatoes with butter gravy, boiled cabbage or other vegetables, and pudding or pie, and coffee. Sometimes we have pork and beans, and sometimes some egg preparation, as potato pancakes, dumplings etc., while with one meal in the week we have meat. For supper we have the remains of our dinner, with fried or baked potatoes, and eggs. We have coffee with every meal. On this fare we thrive well."

Ten thousand demons gnawing away at one's vitals couldn't be much worse than the tortures of itching piles. Yet there's a cure. Doan's Ointment never fails.

If you want a good suit of underwear, go to
Locker & Rutgers.

TAKE DEMOCRATIC PAPERS.

Men who desire to bring about a return of prosperity to this country should act upon the advice of William J. Bryan and lend their practical as well as moral support to the democratic newspapers.

No agency is more potent for good or ill than is the newspaper. Recognizing this fact, Bryan earnestly advises the democracy of the nation to subscribe for and advertise in the democratic journals, thus giving legitimate support to the advocates of the people's cause.

During the presidential campaign of 1896 the subsidized press of the money power wielded an immense influence, deluding the people with false promises and deceiving them by misrepresentation of the position by the friends of constitutional money.

Democratic newspapers have saved the people \$20,000,000 recently by exposing the Union Pacific steal and forcing the republican administration to demand a just settlement of the account. The questions which are to be discussed for the next two years are vital. In their correct settlement lies the fate of the nation; therefore, the newspapers which befriended the people should receive the support of the people.

William J. Bryan is a great orator, but he is also a practical man, and in his suggestion that those who wish the good of the country should support democratic newspapers he has given wise and eminently practical advice, which should be promptly followed.—Exchange.

The second annual banquet of the Mohawk club will be given at Detroit, April 5, on which occasion there will be present Hon. W. J. Bryan, Senator White of California and Senator Butler of California. Although the seating capacity of the hall is 1,000, so great is the demand for tickets that those who intend to be present should lose no time in forwarding their applications for membership, accompanied by the entrance fee of \$2.

MORE ACTIVITY IN TRUSTS.

Mr. J. P. Morgan Is Having Fun In London, and We Must Pay For It.

Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan, Sr., will now doubtless continue with redoubled zeal his great movement to form into trust organization everything worth such formation in the American mercantile and manufacturing worlds.

This is because Mr. Morgan, Sr., is already enabled to see the great social advantages appertaining to the rank of the trust king of his native land. Late cable news brings to him the glad intelligence that at Queen Victoria's first drawing room for the season of 1898, Mrs. J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., was duly presented to her majesty with especial distinction, the only other American woman thus honored at that time being Miss Muriel White, daughter of our very swagger and efficient charge d'affaires of the London legation, Mr. Henry White.

This presentation will, of course, mark the entrance of young Mrs. Pierpont Morgan into English society, and, as her husband has just established a residence in London as the representative of the English branch of his father's bank, the wife's social career may be expected to prove exceptionally brilliant. It is money that talks in London society and in such a cause Pierpont, Jr., has money to burn.

But it is Pierpont, Sr., who must make that money; therefore it is timely to look for renewed activity in trust formations. It may even be that each successive triumph of young Mrs. Morgan in London will be marked by the organization of a new trust in this country. Whereat we all have a right to cheer and huzza lustily, for under the operations of the trust system are we not putting up the money for the Morgans' fun?—St. Louis Republic.

BYNUM SAT UPON.

The New York Sun Takes a Shy at the Gold Missionary.

Mr. Bynum, formerly a Democratic congressman from Indiana and once so ardent a silver man that his appearance on the stage in Denver was voluptuously and vociferously celebrated by Life Pence and other strong advocates of advanced bimetalism, but now a sort of "one night stand" missionary for the goldbugs, has been sat on by that subservient gold organ the New York Sun. This is the very extremity of woe. Mr. Bynum was saying that something must be done for the agriculturists, and of course he thought the best way to relieve them was to put more power in the hands of the bankers. Said he, "A single power of issue can never be made responsive in districts remote from the financial centers."

"The present financial system of the United States," says The Sun, "is that there is a lot of money of substantially one sort which finds and follows its owners without prejudice. Mr. Bynum would have a new redistribution by making new money, which, to achieve his purpose, would have to be so bad that it couldn't leave the region of its birth." Very well. The Sun, even since its perversion, cannot restrain the occasional expression of one of the sound sentiments which used to characterize it.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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The anniversary of the birth of Thomas Jefferson, founder of the Democratic party, occurs April 3, and it is fitting that all Democrats throughout the country should observe with appropriate ceremonies the birthday of the nation's most illustrious patriot and statesman.

The birth of Thomas Jefferson was an event of transcendent importance not only to Americans but to mankind. His influence in the severance of the colonies from the crown of England and in the formation of the institutions under which we now live was more decisive as well as more judicious than that of any other in the whole line of American statesmen and patriots. The author of the Declaration of Independence and the founder of the Democratic party, it is to his jealous vigilance that we owe the first ten amendments to the constitution of the United States, comprising the bill of rights and the rule of construction, which constitute the safeguard of states and people against the encroach-



THOMAS JEFFERSON.

ments of centralized power. But for the authority of his venerated name and the pure principles of republican government enunciated by him and illustrated in his administration of the government, and in the administrations of his succeeding disciples, the constitution of 1787 would long since have been construed and administered away.

Essential to the preservation of the freedom of the people, the doctrine of strict construction, applied not merely to the federal constitution but to all constitutions, is equally essential to the purity of the government. Corrupt practices inevitably follow loose construction. Thus economy, frugality and taxes solely for the support of government are natural and necessary consequences of Democratic legislation and Democratic administration, while extravagance, corruption and taxes for the aggrandizement of classes and the enrichment of individual favorites follow with faithful certainty the ascendancy of federalism.

The Democratic party exists to defend these Jeffersonian principles, without which free government must perish. At a time when the administration of the executive power of the federal government and the control of the two houses of congress have but recently passed unchecked into the hands of a party avowedly Federalist, in corrupt alliance with a mighty aggregation of powerful monopolies, practically acknowledging none of the restraints or limitations imposed by the constitution, it is especially important that the teachings of the great apostle of American Democracy should be again most solemnly invoked.

In the past year the Federalist party, in obedience to its corrupt impulses and the false doctrines which animate it to convert the general government into a vast tender to private monopoly, has made a tariff law which has increased the tax burdens of the people and which restricts the industrial freedom of the many while strengthening the monopolies of the few.

The progress of the party in power in centralization, extravagance and corruption and toward the enslavement of the many to the few by the ruthless system of monopoly taxes has been greater even than had been anticipated. Never in the history of the republic was there a period when a general recurrence to constitutional and therefore to Democratic principles was more necessary than at present. When in the time of our ancestors Federalism during its brief ascendancy sought to strangle free government by measures similar to those now under way, the several encroachments were sternly met by the people embodied in the Democratic party, and the birthday of Thomas Jefferson himself affords a fit opportunity for like action by their descendants.—Hon. Chauncey F. Black.

JEFFERSON AS PRESIDENT.

He Abolished All Usages That Savored of Royalty.

When Thomas Jefferson became president of the United States, the inauguration was celebrated throughout the United States as a national holiday. His first thought on coming to the presidency was to ally the violence of party spirit, and he composed his fine inaugural address with that view. He reminded his fellow citizens that difference of opinion is not difference of principle.

"Some honest men," said he, "fear that a republican government cannot be strong—that this government is not strong enough. I believe this, on the

contrary, the strongest on earth. I believe it is the only one where every man at the call of the laws would fly to the standard of the law and would meet invasions of the public order as his own personal concern."

As soon as he became president he abolished the weekly levee at the White House as well as the system of precedence that had been copied from the court etiquette of Europe. When congress assembled, he sent it a message instead of delivering a speech. He abolished also all the usages that savored of royalty, such as the conveyance of ministers in royal vessels, the celebration of his own birthday by a public ball, the appointment of fasts and thanksgiving days, the making of public tours and official visits. He refused to receive while traveling any mark of attention that would not have been paid to him as a private citizen, his object being both to republicanize and secularize the government completely. He declined also to use the pardoning power unless the judges who tried the criminal signed the petition.

The purchase of Louisiana was a happy result of Jefferson's tact and promptitude in availing himself of a golden chance and secured to the United States this superb domain, one of the most valuable on the face of the globe. Bonaparte demanded 50,000,000 francs. Marvois, his negotiator, asked 100,000,000, but dropped to 60,000,000, with the condition that the United States should assume all just claims on the territory, and thus for the trivial sum of little more than \$15,000,000 the United States secured the most important acquisition of territory that was ever made by purchase.

JEFFERSON FOR THE PEOPLE

He Was Always Opposed to the Domination of the Masses by the Classes.

Jefferson was an original thinker in every department of human concern, and essentially a reformer. He had no respect for claims of right founded only upon prescription and attached no decisive weight to authority. In the old house of burgesses he opposed parliament upon abstract grounds which were clearly defined, and which became the bases of the subsequent struggle, inaugurated by the formal exposition of the same principles in the Declaration of Independence.

In politics he was an opponent of strong government and maintained that the world was governed too much. He was in favor of the free development and exercise of human power, so far as was consistent with the good order of society, and a jealous advocate of individualism. His aim in Virginia was to overthrow the old domination of the ruling classes and raise the people.

In social life he faithfully carried out his democratic principles. He discarded every advantage which his birthright gave him and mingled familiarly with the common people as their equal. He was naturally a democrat and held as a radical doctrine of his philosophy the principle that one man is no better than another. He was easily approached, and the natural amiability of his character rendered his society delightful to all classes. His dislike of all the trappings of authority was excessive. Not content with eradicating all traces of past authority and influence, he inaugurated a crusade against the old forms and ceremonies which had accompanied it.

To all titles of honor he was strongly opposed. "Excellency," "honorable" and even "Mr." were distasteful to him. He could wish, he declared, that the last, too, might disappear. It was always "Thomas Jefferson" or "T. J.," who presented his respects to the president, not "your excellency." These apparent trifles were in reality strong indications of the character of the man and contributed powerfully to his popularity with the people. He was regarded an incarnation of democracy as opposed to the old world of aristocracy.

JEFFERSON'S APPEARANCE.

In Youth He Was Ungainly, but Later In Life Improved Greatly.

The portraits of Jefferson, which were as numerous in his own time as those of a reigning monarch usually are, may well baffle the inquirer who would know the express image of his face and person. They differ greatly from one another, as he changed remarkably in appearance as he advanced in life, being in youth raw boned, freckled and somewhat ungainly, in early manhood better looking and in later life becoming almost handsome. The portrait by Rembrandt Peale, taken in 1803, which now hangs in the library of the New York Historical society, is perhaps the most pleasing of the later pictures of him.

Daniel Webster's minute description of his countenance and figure at four-score was not accepted by Mr. Jefferson's grandchildren as conveying the true impression of the man. "Never in my life," wrote one of them, "did I see his countenance distorted by a single bad passion or unworthy feeling. I have seen the expression of suffering, bodily and mental, of grief, pain, sadness, just indignation, disappointment, disagreeable surprise and displeasure, but never of anger, impatience, peevishness, discontent, to say nothing of worse or more ignoble emotions. To the contrary, it was impossible to look on his face without being struck with its benevolent, intelligent, cheerful and placid expression. It was at once intellectual, good, kind and pleasant, while his spare figure spoke of health, activity and that power and will 'never to trouble another for what he could do himself' which marked his character."

Death of Jefferson.

John Adams, the second president of the United States, and Thomas Jefferson, the third president, by a strange coincidence died on July 4, 1826, the fiftieth anniversary of the Declaration of Independence. The last words of Adams were, "Jefferson still survives." But at 1 o'clock in the same day Jefferson also passed away.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS OF HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN.

Items Called Out for the Benefit of Our Own Readers—News of the Past Few Days Which Will Be of General Interest to Michigan People.

Detroit, March 21.—United States Senators McMillan and Burrows have replied to letters sent them by Governor Pingree, in which the influence of the Michigan senators was solicited in behalf of the governor's bills to increase the taxation upon railroads. Senator McMillan's letter admits the possibility that railroads, telegraph companies, etc., are not taxed in proportion to the property they own, but says it is also possible that competition or legislative enactment has so reduced the rates charged for public service that the people receive the same benefits more surely than they would through increased taxation. Defining his position Senator McMillan wrote: "Any intelligent and well directed efforts to bring about a readjustment of the burdens of taxation will have my earnest support; but I will not join in a destructive warfare against certain forms of investment, and by so doing work the greatest injury to the state."

Propose a Committee of Inquiry.

"The subject is not one to divide political parties or to be used to make political capital. If you desire to bring about a real reform you will ask the legislature for authority to appoint a commission to investigate the system of taxation now in force in Michigan, and to report to the next legislature and to suggest such changes as seem advisable in order properly to adjust the burdens of taxation. Then and then only will the legislature have the information necessary to rectify and perfect the system. If you shall see fit to use your influence to these ends I will be glad to co-operate in the good work of reforming the tax system of Michigan." Senator Burrows simply states that he has no knowledge of the proposed measures, but that the general proposition that all individuals and corporations should bear their just and equitable share of the public burdens does not admit of controversy and receives his support.

GOVERNOR'S REPORT ON SENATOR.

Tells Him His Plan Is Intended to Again Shelve the Question.

Detroit, March 21.—Governor Pingree yesterday replied to McMillan's letter. The governor denies that he is waging a destructive warfare on "certain forms of investment," and characterizes such statement by the senator as presumption and an insult to the people of the state. In response to McMillan's suggestion for the appointment of a commission to investigate these subjects the governor says: "The whole tenor of Senator McMillan's letter indicates that the old game to gain time employed for the past ten years is to be worked again, if possible, and have this vital question of fair railroad taxation postponed again until the people's attention is diverted. Senator McMillan, in his published letter, has not only presumed to set his authority above that of the governor and even the people of the state, but above the courts of Michigan. Delays of this sort mean the pulling of millions of dollars out of poor people's pockets that ought to be supplied for property taxes by the rich railroad companies."

"If this legislature does not pass the bill that will be introduced we'll certainly have a brand new legislature that the people will elect themselves. Last winter McMillan's lobby beat us out in the legislature. The members are afraid they'll lose their jobs if they don't do as McMillan directs, and the latter is backed up by 'Sky' Olds, the agent of these corporations, who will hardly wait until the chaplain of the senate gets through saying his prayers before he hands up to the senators general railroad passes, Pullman and Wagner car annual passes, besides Western Union and Bell telephone long distance 'franks.' It was to be presumed that Senator McMillan's reply to my frank letter would be on the side of these passes. Regarding Senator Burrows' reply I wish to say that I am glad, and the whole state of Michigan should be glad, to see that we have one United States senator who is frank enough and honest enough to concede that all persons and corporations in Michigan should be taxed alike. That helps some."

MICHIGAN SOLONS IN SESSION.
Governor Gets the Machinery Started on His Corporation Tax Scheme.

Lansing, Mich., March 23.—The Michigan legislature assembled yesterday afternoon, having been called by Governor Pingree to consider the governor's proposed measure for increasing taxes upon railroad, express, telegraph and telephone companies. In the senate protests were entered against Senators Covell and Preston, Republicans, and Senator Hughes, Democrat, continuing in their seats. The two former had been appointed to federal offices and the latter had moved from his district. Covell and Preston are anti-Pingree Republicans, while Hughes favors the Pingree taxation bill. It is considered improbable that the Pingree measures will pass the senate unless radically amended.

Governor Pingree read his corporation taxation message to the joint session. Its leading points were that the framers of the state constitution intended that all taxes be based on the cash value of the property; that taxes should be levied upon public franchises as well as other property; that the present system of specific taxes upon railway earnings is unsatisfactory and wrong; that the tax upon Michigan railroads has been less than a quarter of 1 per cent. upon their own sworn valuations, and less than one-eighth of the percentage paid by other taxpayers.

The governor's bill has been made public. It proves to be unlike the alleged bill published a few days ago. It is entitled simply "A bill to provide for the assessment and levy of taxes upon the property of railroad companies, express, telegraph and telephone companies." It provides for the creation of a state board of assessors, consisting of four members appointed

by the governor and the auditor general.

This board shall assess the property of the corporations named in the title; it shall have power to procure books and papers, subpoena witnesses, require sworn statements from railroad and other companies, and determine the rate of taxes to be levied, which rate shall be the same as the average rate of taxes for state, municipal and local purposes, not including special assessments for benefits received.

The board shall meet the first Monday in September in each year, and the taxes assessed must be paid before the first Monday of January following. Franchises of companies, it is provided, shall be considered as property and shall be assessed.

All taxes collected under the act shall be applied to the payment of the interest on the primary school, university and other educational funds. For non-payment of taxes it is provided that the state may seize the property of corporations and sell it at public auction, and if the property cannot be sold the company shall forfeit its corporate rights and privileges.

Several penalties are provided in the act, and the members of the board will be guilty of a misdemeanor if they shall assess property for more or less than it is worth. Finally, it is provided that if corporations whose property is to be assessed either directly or indirectly promise, offer or give to any member any gratuity whatever the corporations shall forfeit to the state the sum of \$10,000.

This, in brief, is the law which Governor Pingree proposes to substitute for the present special tax law now on the statute books.

New Logging Road in Michigan.

Menominee, Mich., March 23.—Ex-Representative I. Stephenson, of Marquette; Daniel Wells, Jr., of Milwaukee, and J. W. Wells, of this city, have organized a logging company with capital stock of \$1,000,000, and have purchased docks, right-of-way and other privileges of the I. Stephenson Lumber company at Flint Rock, Mich., for construction of a logging road from the mouth of the Escatawau river, sixty miles, to Republic, Mich.

Michigan State Grange Will Help.

Lansing, Mich., March 21.—George H. Horton, master of the Michigan state grange, has called a special meeting of the executive committee of that organization for the purpose of arranging to throw the combined influence of the grange in favor of the passage of the Pingree equal taxation bill to be introduced at the special session of the legislature next week. Master Horton says the farmers are a unit in favor of the bill.

Life Association Refuses to Pay.

Saginaw, Mich., March 22.—The Home Security Life association, an investment and insurance company that has been doing business here for six years, is in trouble. It has refused payment on six-year \$1,000 certificates that are maturing from day to day and a damage suit has been started by Mrs. Martha Stewart for \$2,500. More will follow.

Politician Convicted of Embezzlement.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 21.—Jas. E. McBride, secretary of the state central committee of the "middle-of-the-road" Populists, was convicted of embezzlement in the superior court. It is alleged that he cashed a draft for a client and kept the money. Sentence was deferred pending a motion for a new trial.

Bay City Church Trouble Settled.

Bay City, Mich., March 21.—The long factional trouble in St. Stanislaus' Polish Roman Catholic parish was settled Saturday by the unanimous adoption of a resolution at a mass meeting of the anti-bishop faction asking Bishop Richter to take possession of the church property and send a pastor here.

Ice in the Straits Hardened.

Mackinaw City, Mich., March 23.—Freezing weather has hardened the ice fields at the head of the straits, and the ice will not move out for some days yet.

Bank Change at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 23.—William H. Anderson has been elected president of the Fourth National bank, vice D. A. Blodgett, resigned.

State Notes.

James Brennan, a miner, fell from the first level to the bottom of the Newport mine, at Ironwood, Mich., a distance of 600 feet. He leaves a family.

Mrs. Elizabeth Babcock, who resided near Mendon, Mich., died aged 100 years 3 months.

William F. Reimers of Saginaw, Mich., crazy, confessed that he started destructive fires in five mill yards, because he had a spite against capitalists.

George Mitchell (colored) and his wife were arrested at Grand Rapids, Mich., accused of killing their child by starvation.

The prosecution in the court-martial, which was convened at Fort Wayne, Mich., because of alleged irregularities in Captain Charles T. Witherell's pay vouchers, has rested its case. The defense asked for more time in which to prepare their case, which was granted.

W. G. Wallace, of Saginaw, Mich., has arrived at Seattle from Dawson City. He speaks well of the gold outlook.

Governor Pingree's great interest in the University of Michigan has repeatedly been shown, but not more prominently than at the alumni banquet in Detroit March 19, when he said that the influence of the body of men before him on that occasion he felt to be greater than that of any other in the state.

Out of the 3,100 students at present in the University of Michigan, 1,754 come from the state of Michigan. These are distributed among 255 towns and cities.

Three barns at Niles, Mich., owned by Alonzo Platt, together with carriages, implements, produce and a valuable horse, were burned to the ground.

The court-martial trying Captain Charles T. Witherell at Detroit, Mich., on a charge of having duplicated his pay vouchers, has reached a verdict, but it will not be disclosed until the proceedings have been fully reviewed.

Our Ambassador to Russia.

St. Petersburg, March 23.—Ethan Allen Hitchcock, the new United States ambassador to Russia, has had an audience with the czar and presented his credentials.

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Navy Department Can Obey Warlike Orders Promptly.

Big Monitors Ordered to Key West—Sailing Revenue Cutters Taken In to the Naval Service.

Washington, March 23.—The feeling was universal throughout official circles today that the culmination of the Spanish crisis was near at hand. With the report of the Maine court of inquiry only a little while off, with the white house the center of long and earnest conferring between the president and the party leaders of congress and with exceptional activity towards emergency preparations in war and navy departments, there was abundance of evidence that definite results regarding the disaster and the Cuban question in general were about to be reached.

It was generally understood that in the present emergency the president desires patriotic unity without reference to party. Secretaries Long and Alger also conferred with the president during the day. Secretary Long later said that the Maine report probably would reach Washington to-morrow night. If, however, it did not come before 8 o'clock Thursday evening, Mr. Long said he probably would not receive it until Friday morning, when it would be laid before the president immediately. The secretary did not think the president would give the document any consideration at a late hour.

There has been no change in the of sending the report to congress early next week, probably Monday, accompanied by a message from the president. It is definitely settled, however, that the message and the papers accompanying it will relate exclusively to the Maine disaster. It will not take up the fearful condition of affairs in Cuba, as shown by the reports of United States consuls, these being reserved for subsequent action and a later message to congress.

RELIEF WORK IN HAVANA.

Havana, March 23.—A Spanish representative says that Gen. Hernandez Valesco has been engaged in province of Pinar del Rio with an insurgent force under Roam Vidal, Luis Peres and Negro Cesarc. The Spaniards are said to have destroyed the camp of the insurgents, who are also alleged to have left fifteen men killed and to have retired with many wounded. The Spanish loss was one captain and two soldiers killed and two officers and eleven soldiers wounded.

Unimportant skirmishes are also reported to have occurred at Nueva Paz, Guira Molena, Montes, Carmelo and Hoyo Colorado, this province and eleven in the province of Santa Clara. It is asserted that seventy-two insurgents under Col. Benito Socorro have surrendered to the Spaniards in the province of Matanzas.

Miss Clara Barton, president of the American branch of the Red Cross Society, left for New York today on the Key West mail steamer. Miss Barton says the cause of her departure is purely personal and has to do with private financial matters. Miss Barton expects to go to Washington and expressed the hope that she would soon be able to return to Cuba.

EASY TO TAKE HAVANA.

New York, March 23.—The remarkable disclosure is made by Frank Leslie's Weekly in this week's issue that on April 30, 1893, Gen. U. S. Grant wrote to Gen. Adam Badeau, telling how easy it would be for the United States to capture Havana by a combined attack by our land and naval forces. In this letter which is printed in

face simile in Leslie's Weekly, Gen. Grant says that "the hostility of the native population to Spanish authority would make this—the capture of Havana—a comparatively easy task for any first-class power, and especially easy for the United States, in case of war with Spain."

BIG ORDER FOR AMMUNITION.

Derby, Conn., March 23.—L. L. Driggs of the Driggs Seabury Gun and Ammunition Company, stated to-day that his company had received a half million dollar order from the government for ammunition.

SEND AN ARMY TO CUBA.

Washington, March 23.—It is said that preparations have been made with the expectation that within ten days or about that time 80,000 American troops will be ready to be landed in Cuba.

It is not a fixed, definite thing that this will occur; something may happen to alter the situation; Spain may change her policy, but preparations are all made, according to reliable information, with the expectation that the troops are to be landed, and nothing remains to be done but to issue the necessary orders.

To make up the force new enlistments will be necessary, but the militia regiments will be mustered in just as they stand. The preparations for this have been made. The matters of transportation, military stores and all have been provided for.

Loops of the telegraph companies have been placed in the War Department, so that they can have free use of the wires direct to any point in the United States where wires are strung, without the delay of sending messages through the main office at every point where troops are assembled, regular or militia, can be reached almost in an instant with perfect secrecy.

CIRCUIT COURT.

In the circuit court Tuesday, the hearing of objections to the published delinquent tax sales were heard. Chas. E. Soule objects to the order for publication of the tax sales for 1895 on jurisdictional points, the principal one being that the order for tax sales were printed and published in a paper published in the Holland language, whereas the order should have been printed and published in a paper in the English language as the state requires. The judge has withheld his decision.

The matter of James E. Watson vs. Dudley O. Watson and John B. Watson, a default case, judgement was rendered against said defendants for the sum of \$1951.24 and costs to be taxed.

Adrian Braamse was arraigned upon an information of rape, committed in June, 1897. He plead not guilty and the bail put at \$1000 for trial at the next term.

The matter of the People vs. Arthur Sheeler for perjury went over the term. Bail to stand.

In the matter of the People vs. Ld. Taylor, who was convicted by a jury at the last November term and who has been on bail since for assault with intent to commit rape, came up for sentence. The Judge seems to be mystified as to the truth of conflicting statements of this girl. Upon the whole the Judge decided to grant a new trial to the respondent Ld. Taylor. The respondent's bond given heretofore is to stand.

In the matter of Johanna Cleverenga vs. Menno Cleverenga, the court allowed her solicitor a fee of \$15 and a monthly allowance for the support of the divorced woman.

In the matter of Nicholas Smidt, the Spring Lake saloon keeper, made a statement to the court that his only crime was the giving of a drink to a sick man. The prosecutor replied that the charge was not for selling or giving liquors, but for keeping his saloon open on a Sunday. That there has been a good deal of complaint against him for keeping his saloon open on Sundays and that he persists in doing so. The Court after giving Smidt a good lecture, said that he had formerly given a fine for these offences, but that hereafter he should give them something more. Smidt was fined \$100 and costs taxed at \$6.

The court finally adjourned to April 15th, 1898.

Real Estate Transfers.

Jannetje Van Putten to W. De Witt, pt lots 2, 3 and 7, blk 5, Holland, \$150.

J. Louwes to Jannetje Van Putten et al, lot 2, blk 4, Holland, \$130.

A. Haan and wife to J. H. Leash, ne et al, \$2500.

H. Timmer and wife to J. Timmer and wife, ne et al, \$1,000.

P. Mol and wife M. Elzinga, ne et al, \$750.

A FINE WORK.

Every enlightened citizen in this country has heard of Miss Frances E. Willard and admires her noble career. A work which should be in every home is "The Beautiful Life of Frances E. Willard." This work was written by Anna Gordon (Miss Willard's private secretary) and is the only authentic, official book and the only one authorized by the W. C. T. U. The only authorized agent in this vicinity for this grand work is John Slag, of New Holland, who will call on you in a few days. Do not be imposed upon by others, but wait for Mr. Slag, and get the official and only authentic work. Or you can drop a card to the address of John Slag, New Holland, Ottawa Co., and he will see to it that you get the work.

ITS MASK THROWN OFF.

Republican Party Stands For Gold Contraction.

THE MONEY QUESTION DOMINATES.

No Other Issue Will Be Tolerated For the Campaigns of 1898 and 1900—People Must Combine Against the Gold Trust and Wrest It From Power.

The money question is destined to be almost the only question dividing parties in the congressional campaign of 1898, and every sign in the political sky declares the financial question will shut out from view every other question in the great presidential canvass of 1900. So absorbing has become the financial question that it ought to be apparent to every observer of the signs of the times that the discussion of no other question will be listened to or tolerated by the people in the next presidential campaign.

The Republican party has been driven from its fast and loose policy and its international bimetallic thimble rigging and has taken open ground for gold only. The secretary of the treasury has emphatically proclaimed that gold monometallism is the policy of the Republican party. The great bankers' diversion at Indianapolis and its currency plan, concocted at Washington by its committee of 11, and lastly President McKinley, in a carefully prepared speech delivered at the National Manufacturers' association dinner in New York, all join in committing the Republican party to the gold standard, monometallic policy.

The Republican party has been driven to occupy this ground by the Wall street money oligarchy and to cease its dodging policy which has so long stood it a good turn in practicing deception before the people on the money question. President McKinley was the last to be driven out of the bushes and forced to take sides under orders from headquarters in Wall street and the national banks. The Republican party now stakes its future existence on the "gold standard," and all the other parties opposed to the great international money trust must lay aside, or, rather, hold in reserve, all other economic questions and reforms, though most needed, and combine their whole strength to defeat the arch enemy of mankind who has chosen the Republican party organization to fight the greatest battle the gold Mammon has ever been forced to risk.

The consolidation of all opposition to the gold trust does not mean that any of the principles laid down by the Populist and other political platforms shall be abandoned. They cannot be achieved now or till their great enemy, the gold trust, is beaten. That trust cannot be beaten by assailing it with the multitude of abuses practiced by railroads on the western people, and their interference in legislation by hurling the crimes of any and all of the monopolies against it. The gold trust must be fought on its own chosen battleground—"currency reform." It is the support and mainstay of all the abuses complained of. It robs and impoverishes the people through the agency of those monopolies and trusts, which, though great, are still minor to the great satanic trust, the money or gold power, which robs nations, while the greatest of other monopolies and cliques can but rob communities.

There are three great political divisions only that are worth considering, which must compose the army that is to defeat the gold trust if it is to be defeated, and any of the cherished principles of these political organizations given form in law. These three are the Democratic party as reorganized and formed anew at Chicago, 1896, on the grand plank of the Populist platform; the People's Party, which is the pioneer party that raised the flag of reform and rebellion against old party subservency to the money trust and monopoly rule, and the Silver Republicans, or bimetallic party. The latter makes but a single demand, the remonetization of silver, trusting that all else most desired by the people in government reforms would follow if their great obstacle was removed and the people were given an opportunity to study, understand and choose intelligently. On the wisdom, self denial and patriotism of the leader hang the fate of the nation and final victory for every useful reform. These reforms are enumerated in their platform, and they virtually acknowledge that not one of them can be accomplished until the great financial reform is achieved by placing that plank first in their platform. All others must await their time.

Redeeming the legal tender money issued by the government in coin is now the foundation of all our monetary trouble. The greenbacks have that fatal provision resting on them, and the enemies of the government in whose hands the government unfortunately rests at present interpret coin to mean gold. There is no necessity nor good sense in redeeming or pretending to redeem legal tender money or currency. The Shylocks are now insisting on redeeming silver dollars in gold dollars. If the new Democratic party, redeemed from the thralldom of gold, will advance and meet the Populist demand on the money plank we see no difficulty in a solid part mobilization of the forces opposed to the gold standard enemy of the human race. The Populist party has beyond a doubt good common sense on its side by refusing to swap dollars under the term of redemption. The people never ask for redemption, only the Shylock gold gamblers. As long as the gold trust can scare a party into redeeming government money so long will it hold a rod over a party, people and government. The Democratic party must advance its standard and place it beside the Populist party on the ramparts of legal tender money.

E. E. EWING.

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Our Aggregation of Carpets and Floor Novelties is worth a journey to see.

FIRST

It's Complete; Nothing Desirable Omitted.

SECOND--It's new; only the Latest Designs here.

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FOURTH--It's a procession of taking prices; the lowest ever offered in Holland, on High Class Goods.

We quote 50c a yard on All Wool Ingrain Carpets and 60c on Brussels Carpets.

Our line of Body Brussels, Tapestries, Royal Wilton Velvets, Savonneries, Axminsters, Moquettes and Pro Brussels, is the finest and largest ever seen in this city, showing as we do, no less than 95 different patterns and colorings.

We only ask an inspection of what's here, knowing what seeing will lead to.

JAMES A. BROUWER

212-214 RIVER STREET,

Common Council.

Holland, Mich., March 23, 1898.

The council met in special session pursuant to call issued by the mayor, and was called to order by the mayor.

Present—The mayor, Alds. Kleis, Fileman, Schoon, Takken, Geerlings, Habermann, Van Putten, Kooyers, Westhoek and the clerk.

The reading of minutes and regular order of business was suspended.

B. Huizinga petitioned for permission to place building material on Ninth street adjacent to west 1/2 lot 5, block 38, for a period of six weeks.—Granted.

The following report was presented: To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council of the City of Holland.

Gentlemen: Your committee on claims and accounts appointed to make the annual settlement with the city treasurer, would respectfully submit that they have examined the annual report of the city treasurer herewith returned, constituting the basis of said settlement, and have examined the books and vouchers of the city treasurer, comparing them with the receipts and accounts as kept by the city clerk, and find the same correct leaving a balance in cash on hand of \$6,338.56, for which said amount the city treasurer has submitted a certificate from the First State Bank, as herewith presented.

H. GEERLINGS,

EVART TAKKEN,

L. SCHOON.

Committee on Claims and Accounts.

—Report adopted and settlement approved. By Ald Habermann. Resolved, That the amount of \$66.87 being uncollected taxes on personal estate on the tax rolls of 1897, and for the collection of which the warrant of the city treasurer has been renewed by the county treasurer, be and is hereby charged to the city treasurer.—Carried.

Ald Schouten here appeared and took his seat. Council adjourned.

WM. O. VAN EYCK, City Clerk.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

Farmers and business men should not forget the regular auction sale to take place at Stratton's Stables in this city to-morrow, Saturday, commencing at 10 a. m. Farmers who have any horses, cattle or other stock, machinery, or anything else can have it sold here. Businessmen can offer goods for sale. In fact these auction sales have been started for the purpose of giving the farmers and business men an opportunity to realize cash from whatever they have to offer. Both classes should try to make these sales a success and a permanent feature. It is to the interest of all to have these auction sales and if all who have articles to dispose of will take advantage of the sales they will be a success.

GENERAL REPAIR SHOP.

Any person desiring any work done such as repairing sewing machines, locks, guns, umbrellas, or small machinery of any kind, call at John F. Zalsman on Eighth street, in the basement of the American Hotel, next door to C. Blom's bakery, Holland, Mich. 347

It is a great leap from the old fashioned doses of blue-mass and nauseous physics to the pleasant little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. They cure constipation, sick headache and biliousness.

A complete felt window shade at only 5c, at M. Notier.

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Guitars,
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H. MEYER & SON

South River Street, Holland.

Central Shoe Store

WE would call the attention of the public to the fact that we are now showing the finest line of Ladies' and Gents' Footwear ever shown in the city, and price will suit everybody.

CALL and see our stock and be convinced before buying elsewhere. We have no job lots brought from Grand Rapids or any other city to impose upon the people of our city. Our goods are all fresh from the factory.

John Elferdink, Jr.

Two doors east of P. O.



Coat Time's Here.

A new Spring Overcoat now is lots more inexpensive than a cold, especially if you get it (the coat) here. Heavy underwear won't replace. Besides, every man who can afford it wears a Spring Overcoat—and every man can afford it while we make them for \$15 and up. Call and see our goods. That brings no obligation to buy.

When you examine the goods and learn the price, we think we can take your measure all right.

MEEBOER

THE TAILOR,

210 River St., one door north of Brouwer's furniture store, Holland.

Thirty-five years make a generation. That is how long Adolph Fisher, of Zanesville, O., suffered from piles. He was cured by using three boxes of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve.

L. Kramer.

Ride a World. Best wheel built.

A torpid liver robs you of ambition and ruins your health. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cleanse the liver, cure constipation and all stomach and liver troubles.

L. Kramer.

SEED OATS.

We expect to receive about April 4th, a car of choice and heavy White Seed Oats.

Place your orders by mail or in person and Oats will be reserved for you.

Walsh-DeRoo Milling Co.

STAND SQUARELY

Demand honest shoes for your honest dollars.

There are no shoemakers' tricks—No weak spots—No hidden bad work about the

J. B. LEWIS CO'S

"Wear Resisters"

Every stitch is honest.

Every shoe is stamped "Lewis."

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LEWIS "WEAR-RESISTERS"

Are For Sale by G. J. VAN DUREN, HOLLAND, MICH.

Aggressive!

That is what many of our competitors claim us to be. If we are we can not help it. We owe it to the public and to ourselves to furnish the best of goods the market affords, at

CUT RATE PRICES.

Our method of handling merchandise has certainly brought great success. We make prices others cannot touch. Here are a few of thousands of bargains:

DRESS GOODS—double fold, per yard, only.....	8c
DRESS NOVELTIES, per yard, at only.....	12c
FANCY DRESS PATTERNS—in new spring shades.....	\$2.64
HEAVY INGRAIN CARPETS, pr yard, only.....	24c
LADIES' CORSETS, drab only, each.....	23c
LADIES' SUMMER CORSETS, white only, at.....	22c
DIMITIES—floral designs and stripes, regular 10c kinds, at.....	6c
TABLE OIL-CLOTH, 5-4 first qualities, per yard, only.....	12c
FLOOR OIL-CLOTH, first quality, per square yard.....	23c
FELT WINDOW SHADES, 3 feet wide, 2 yards long, with spring roller, each only.....	9c
LADIES' BELTS, with large buckles, fancy plaids, canvas and all leather, each at.....	9c
MEN'S FINE SPRING ALL-WOOL SUITS at \$7.25 and \$4.95	
MEN'S SUITS, good weight, at only.....	2.69

Don't forget that here is where you can buy most everything at a lower price than others ask.

The Boston Store

WARD BLOCK, HOLLAND.

Building Season IS HERE.

We are prepared to furnish anything and everything in the line of.....LUMBER.....

BRING IN YOUR BILLS.

We are ready to furnish estimates at any time on any kind of material you may wish for.

WE HAVE A LARGE STOCK OF HEMLOCK ON HAND.

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BOTH PHONES. SIXTH STREET.

N. B.—A few desirable Houses and Lots for sale on long time and easy payments.

Stylish

Spring Suitings

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THE LEADING TAILOR.

Read The Ottawa County Times.

CAUCUSES.

Holland Township Caucuses.

A citizens caucus will be held on Thursday, March 24, 1898, at 2 p. m. in the townhouse of Holland township to nominate candidates for the several township offices:

Jas. Kappinga.	Geo. H. Souter.
D. Miedema.	J. Plaggenman.
E. B. Scott.	J. Westenbroek.
G. J. Hesselink.	J. M. uwsen.
R. A. Hyma.	M. Van Dyk.
J. Venhuizen.	E. Johnson.
H. J. Laarman.	A. Auisieker.

Dated Holland, Mich., March 14, '98.

Overisel Township Caucuses.

A Union caucus of the Township of Overisel will be held at the townhouse of Overisel on Saturday, March 20, 1898, at 1:30 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of nominating the various township candidates. B. VOORHORST, Town Clerk.

Overisel, Mar. 17, '98.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OTTAWA COUNTY.

NOORDELOOS.

Grace Bosch is visiting home from Grand Rapids.

Bertha Rosbach left for Grand Haven Wednesday, where she will make a fortnight's visit with relatives.

John Rookus, son-in-law of F. Heyboer, has moved to Crisp, where he has opened a blacksmith shop. John is a good workman and we hope he will make a success of the undertaking.

Discovered By a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made and that too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery by purchasing of us a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking first dose, that she slept all night and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Her name is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hammick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Trial bottles free at the drugstores of Heber Walsh, Holland, and Van Bree & Son, Zeeland. Regular size 50c and \$1.00, guaranteed or price refunded.—4.

HOLLAND CENTER.

Peter Bronkema is on the sick list. Johannes Van De Pool is employed at the West Michigan furniture factory. We wish him success.

The Waverly Stone Co., received a car load of wood Wednesday.

Frank McDonald, from Fremont, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joe De Witt.

C. Plagenhove was in Drenthe on business Monday.

John Westenbroek, Jr., who returned from Fremont, visited his parents this week.

Ralph Ter Beek bought a fine cow this week.

John Van De Pool traded horses with a farmer near Zeeland.

JENISON.

Too late for last week.

Paulina Steketee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Steketee, was born in Borssele, Province of Zeeland, Netherlands, on March 31, 1836, and died at her home in Jenison on March 9, 1898. She came to America August 12, 1847, and settled in Zeeland, was united by marriage to Michael De Puite April 23, 1860, and commenced housekeeping at Beaverdam. Twenty-five years ago she moved to Jenison, where she has since resided. Nine children were the result of this union, five of whom are living, Mrs. Deanna Bush, Mrs. Mary Van der Veen, Edward, John and Cornelius, also eight grandchildren. She leaves seven brothers and two sisters, Cornelius, John, Paul, George, Andrew, Peter and Bastian; and Mrs. Jane De Vree and Mrs. Ellen Hoffman. She attended the reunion at Holland last August, since which time her health began to fail, and so firmly had disease fastened its hold upon her that all the very best of medical skill could avail nothing, while all the care that a loving husband, faithful children and kind brothers and sisters could bestow were freely given her. Her sufferings were intense, but her mind was clear and bright to the last. The night before her death she bade each and all a loving "good bye," speaking until a few moments before her going. Her faith was firm and unbounded in her Saviour, and she gladly placed her hand in the clasp of one who could lead her safely into the "beautiful beyond."

Her life was one of great devotion to her family and friends, while to the sick and the suffering, the poor and the needy, her hand was always extended by the promptings of a heart filled with charity and kindly impulses. Many are those who will miss her as a friend and neighbor tried and true, while her family and relatives have the general sympathy in this their hour of sorrow. Her was a beautiful life in keeping with the Divine Master she loved so well, and truly are her teachings and loving counsels portrayed in her noble family of children, who must ever rejoice that the light of such mother-love shone over their lives and home. The funeral services were held the 12th from her late residence and from the Holland Christian Reformed church at Grandville, of which she was a member. Rev. Broek speaking words of consolation to the sorrowing ones. The choir rendered some beautiful selections, while above the stilled form lay the fragrant floral tributes, the gifts of loving relatives, as one after another passed to take a last look at one who had been dear in their midst, and the great concourse of people spoke plainer than words can utter. At the cemetery six of her brothers were her pallbearers, and with loving hands they tenderly lowered her form to its last resting place, breathing as they did so a mute farewell, resting in the blessed promise of a reunion when life's work is o'er, and they meet on that beautiful shore.

MRS. ANNIE L. LANE.

Card of Thanks.

We desire to express our heartfelt thanks to our relatives and friends who so kindly gave us assistance and sympathy in the illness and burial of our beloved wife and mother.

MICHAEL DE PUITE and Family.

PORT SHELTON.

At the spelling contest held in the Smith school house, District No. 7, Miss Ida Johnson, teacher, Miss Sorena Shroder was given the prize for spelling down the school. Refreshments were served and a social time enjoyed by all.

By the appearance of things two of our young ladies expect to start stock-raising.

J. Schroder has started to build his foundation under his house.

Most of our farmers have commenced outside work.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Kollen of Holland, visited here last week. They were greatly pleased with our fine scenery.

Mrs. C. B. Cook has been suffering with her head for some time. The doctor reports it to be a severe case. It is probably due to the accidental discharge of a gun in the house some time ago. She was just getting over the shock of finding Mr. Cook dead when this happened.

J. Davis has been sick, but is able to be out again.

Mrs. J. Paxton is about the same.

SCOFF AND COUGH.

The man who scoffs at the friendly advice to "take something for that cough," will keep on coughing until he changes his mind or changes his earthly residence. A great many scoffers have been converted by the use of the standard remedy—Carter's Cough Cure. But some are scoffing yet; they wheeze with asthma, bark with bronchitis or groan with the grippe. Singular, isn't it? the number of stubborn people, who persist in gambling with health and perhaps life as the stake, when they might be effectually cured of cough, cold or lung trouble, by a few doses of Carter's Cough Cure. Price 25c. At Heber Walsh's Drug Store.

ZEELAND.

Joe Mabor, blacksmith with J. De Kruij, left for Seattle, Washington, Monday, to visit his parents, who moved there last year.

Lately the sports go fishing for suckers. It seems that the funny tribe turn tables on our sports as they generally return with naught but a gun, spear and oftentimes a cold thrown in.

The Ossewaarde building is nearing completion. By April 1st Mr. Ossewaarde will be in shape to again open his doors to the public. The building is an ornament to Main street.

A small party of our young people took in "Faust" at Holland Wednesday evening. They were highly pleased.

Owing to a burst in one of the boilers at the furniture factory, the machine room is idle. Boiler makers from Grand Rapids are here to repair it.

Prof. Beardslee occupied the pulpit of the Reformed church Sunday night.

Dr. O. Baert and Dentist Heasley, were in Grand Rapids Wednesday.

Yellow Jaundice Cured.

Suffering humanity should be supplied with every means possible for its relief. It is with pleasure we publish the following: "This is to certify that I was a terrible sufferer from Yellow Jaundice for over six months and was treated by some of the best physicians in our city and all to no avail. Dr. Bell, our druggist, recommended Electric Bitters, and after taking two bottles I was entirely cured. I now take great pleasure in recommending them to any person suffering with this terrible malady. I am gratefully yours, M. A. Hogarty, Lexington, Ky." Sold at the drugstores of Heber Walsh, Holland, and H. Van Bree & Son, Zeeland.—4.

CRISP.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Roo—a girl.

Frederick Arnoldink is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Van Raalte, visited their parents.

George Plaggenman bought 40 acres of land in Jan Bovenland. Jan expects to go to Washington next fall.

Klaas Roo lost a valuable horse, worth \$75.

Miss Annie H. Prins visited her parents.

Our blacksmith, Jan Rooks, is ready for business. Farmers give him a trial.

Our roads are in a very bad condition.

Our country is soon ready for a telephone business from Ottawa Station to Holland.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mulder, of Olive Center, lost their youngest child of one year and seven months old, last week Thursday.

Aanstaande Dinsdag avond, den 20sten Maart, om half acht zal er in de kerk te South Olive een openbare vergadering gehouden worden. Een feest voor de jongelingen en jonge dochters. Allen welcome.

Township Caucuses.

Laketown—A Union caucus at the townhall on Saturday, March 20, at 2 p. m.

Olive—Republican caucus at the townhall, on Saturday, March 20, 1 p. m.

Zeeland—Republican caucus at the townhall, on Tuesday, March 20, 2 p. m.

Holland Town—Republican caucus at the townhall, on Saturday, March 20, at 2 p. m.

OTTAWA STATION.

J. F. Welton returned home from the east last Saturday, where he visited his sick mother. He reports her improving.

Levi Fellows is busy cutting wood with his buzz-saw. He sawed 50 cords for Eugene Fellows, Monday.

The play entitled "Under the Spell" to be rendered by our theatrical club, will take place next Saturday evening, April 2, at what is known as the old Jones' Hall, at Olive Center. All are cordially invited. Admission 10c. Children, under ten years, 5c. The proceeds will be invested in a new carpet for the Grange hall. Everybody turn out and help them.

H. Tubbs of Grand Rapids is visiting relatives and friends here.

Mrs. James Groves is reported to have paralysis of the throat. We hope it will not prove serious.

A little boy asked for a bottle of "get up in the morning as fast as you can," the druggist recognized a household name for "De Witt's Little Early Risers," and gave him a bottle of those famous little pills for constipation, sick headache, liver and stomach troubles.

L. Kramer.

New Perfumes.

A splendid stock of fine perfumes now on hand at MARTIN & HUIZINGA.

Royal makes the food pure, wholesome and delicious.



ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., NEW YORK.

ALLEGAN COUNTY. GRAAFSCHAP.

At the Fillmore union caucus held Tuesday afternoon the following ticket was placed in nomination, viz: Supervisor, H. J. Klomprens; Clerk, H. Menken; Treas., O. D. Bieker; Commissioner of highways, D. Lentes; Justice, G. A. Klomprens; School inspector, J. W. Garvelink; Board of Review, G. Van den Berg; Constables, Ed. Reinken, John H. Schrottenboer, J. Dykhouse and H. J. Kleinhekse.

As town meeting draws near we would like to call the attention of every intelligent citizen to the subject of good roads for a careful consideration.

Miss Mary Van den Berg, sister of Dr. Van den Berg, and Miss Gertie Polgrim, both Grand Haven school ma'ams, were the guests of Dr. and Mrs. P. M. Van den Berg over Sunday.

Jacob De Pree and Miss Jolanna Van Os were united in marriage by Rev. J. Keizer, Wednesday, March 23. The young couple will make Holland their future home. Best wishes.

Affidavits for marriage licenses were taken out before Justice Neerken and filed with the county clerk for Peter P. Mulder and Minnie A. Hekman, and Johannes Meyerling and Alice De Pree.

Hiram Vliem from Holland spent Sunday here.

D. J. Klomprens has purchased a half acre of ground from John Tinholt and is building a house thereon. He has already moved his family from Holland, and has moved in with Mr. Tinholt's for the present.

Mr. Klomprens proposes to work at the carpenter trade at the park, and raise vegetables for park trade.

An explosion of a large kerosene lamp used by Harkema Bros. for artificially heating hot beds caused a damage of twenty dollars one last week.

Jan H. Wolbert sold 20 acres of his farm to George Thomas. Consideration, \$400.

Della Speet burned her foot with a kettle of hot water over two weeks ago which has developed into a very painful ulcerating sore.

The Daisy creamery started running every day again the 21st.

Drs. P. J. Krickard and P. M. Van den Berg, and Messrs. Benj. and Henry Lugers are each putting in private phones. There is nothing small about this town.

Card of Thanks.

We hereby wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the friends who so kindly assisted us at the burial of our beloved son, Gerrit D. Teusink.

MR. and MRS. HENRY TEUSINK. Graafschap, March 21, 1898.

EAST SAUGATUCK.

J. Dikman is rebuilding his residence and has three carpenters employed. Mr. Strabbing of Graafschap, has the job of framing the barn, and started work last Friday.

J. Postma, who has been sick all winter, is improving.

John Nyhof expects to build a barn this spring. J. H. Groote has the job of hewing the timbers, and putting up the frame work.

Harm Hoving of Grand Rapids is visiting relatives and friends here.

S. Van der Meer will work for John Artz next summer.

Rev. J. B. Hoekstra expected to preach at Noordebos last Sunday, but was prevented by the bad roads.

Rev. Fossum of Overisel, preached here last Sunday.

Miss Hanna Suurhof is employed by John Nyhof.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

On Monday, March 28, at 10 a. m. at the old Harrington place 14 miles south of East Saugatuck, in Manlius township.

On Monday, March 28, at 10 a. m. at the place of B. Mellema, 2 miles southeast of the Ebenezer church.

On Thursday, March 31, at 10 a. m. at the farm of Cornelius Vereke, 24 miles northeast of Zeeland.

On Thursday, March 31, at 10 a. m., at the place of Roelof Ver Burg near Phillips mill on the north town line of Blenden.

On Friday, April 1, at 10 a. m., at the former farm of Christian Hoesdemaans on the townline between Zeeland and Blenden.

Saturday, March 26, regular auction sale at Stratton's Stables at Holland, at 10 a. m.

Tuesday, March 29, at 10 a. m., at the farm of Albert Haan, at Bauer, opposite the post office in Blenden township.

Friday, April 8, at 10 a. m., at the farm of Daniel and Thomas Lockhart, in the township of Allendale, section 36, half a mile north and half a mile west of the German church.

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Our Duty Is to Find Our Life's Work and Stick to It—We Are Prone to Try to Lead When We Are Only Fitted to Follow. Influence of Parents on Children.

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WASHINGTON, March 20.—This discourse of Dr. Talmage draws from an oriental scene some stirring lessons and points to wells of comfort in unexpected places; text, Genesis xxi, 19. "And God opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water, and her want and filled the bottle with water and gave the lad drink."

Morning breaks upon Beersheba. There is an early stir in the house of old Abraham. There has been trouble among the domestics. Hagar, an assistant in the household, and her son, a brisk lad of 16 years, have become impudent and insolent, and Sarah, the mistress of the household, puts her foot down very hard and says that they will have to leave the premises. They are packing up now. Abraham, knowing that the journey before his servant and her son will be very long across desolate places, in the kindness of his heart sets about putting up some bread and a bottle with water in it. It is a very plain lunch that Abraham provides, but I warrant you there would have been enough of it had they not lost their way. "God be with you," said old Abraham as he gave the lunch to Hagar and a good many charges as to how she should conduct the journey. Ishmael, the boy, I suppose, bounded away in the morning light. Boys always like a change. Poor Ishmael! He has no idea of the disasters that are ahead of him. Hagar gives one long, lingering look on the familiar place where she had spent so many happy days, each scene associated with the pride and joy of her heart, young Ishmael.

The scorching noon comes on. The air is stifling and moves across the desert with insufferable suffocation. Ishmael, the boy, begins to complain and lies down, but Hagar rouses him up, saying nothing about her own weariness or the sweltering heat; for mothers can endure anything. Trudge, trudge, trudge. Crossing the level of the desert, how wearily and slowly the miles slip! A tamarind that seemed hours ago to stand only just a little ahead, inviting the travelers to come under its shadow, now is as far off as ever or seemingly so. Night drops upon the desert, and the travelers are pillowless. Ishmael, very weary, I suppose instantly falls asleep. Hagar, as the shadows of the night begin to lap over each other—Hagar bugs her weary boy to her bosom and thinks of the fact that it is her fault that they are in the desert. A star looks out, and every falling tear it kisses with a sparkle. A wing of wind comes over the hot earth and lifts the locks from the fevered brow of the boy. Hagar sleeps fitfully, and in her dreams travels over the weary day and half awakes her son by crying out in her sleep: "Ishmael! Ishmael!"

We Must Find Our Sphere.

And so they go on day after day and night after night, for they have lost their way. No path in the shifting sands; no sign in the burning sky. The sack empty of the flour, the water gone from the bottle. What shall she do? As she puts her fainting Ishmael under a stunted shrub of the arid plain she sees the bloodshot eye and feels the hot hand and watches the blood bursting from the cracked tongue, and there is a shriek in the desert of Beersheba: "We shall die! We shall die!" Now, no mother was ever made strong enough to hear her son cry in vain for a drink. Heretofore she had cheered her boy by promising a speedy end of the journey, and even smiled upon him when she felt despondently enough. Now there is nothing to do but place him under a shrub and let him die. She had thought that she would sit there and watch until the spirit of her boy would go away forever, and then she would breathe out her own life on his silent heart, but as the boy begins to claw his tongue in agony of thirst and struggle in distortion and begs his mother to slay him she cannot endure the spectacle. She puts him under a shrub and goes off a bow shot, and begins to weep until all the desert seems sobbing, and her cry strikes clear through the heavens, and an angel of God comes out on a cloud and looks down upon the appalling grief and cries, "Hagar, what aileth thee?" She looks up and she sees the angel pointing to a well of water, where she fills the bottle for the lad. Thank God! Thank God!

I learn from this oriental scene, in the first place, what a sad thing it is when people do not know their place and get too proud for their business. Hagar was an assistant in that household, but she wanted to rule there. She ridiculed and jeered until her son, Ishmael, got the same tricks. She dashed out her own happiness and threw Sarah into a great fret, and if she had staid much longer in that household she would have upset calm Abraham's equilibrium. My friends, one-half of the trouble in the world today comes from the fact that people do not know their place or, finding their place, will not stay in it. When we come into the world, there is always a place ready for us. A place for Abraham. A place for Sarah. A place for Hagar. A place for Ishmael. A place for you and a place for me.

Our first duty is to find our sphere; our second is to keep it. We may be born in a sphere far off from the one for which God finally intends us. Sixtus V was born on the low ground and was a swineherd. God called him up to wave a scepter. Ferguson spent his early days in looking after sheep. God called him up to look after stars and be a shepherd watching the flocks of light on the hillsides of heaven. Hogarth began by engraving pewter pots. God raised him to stand in the enchanted realm of a painter. The shoemaker's bench held Bloomfield for a little while, but God raised him to sit in the chair of a philosopher and Christian scholar. The soap boiler of London could not keep his son in that business, for God had decided that Hawley was to be one of the greatest astronomers of England.

Labor Is Honorable.

On the other hand we may be born in a sphere a little higher than that for which God intends us. We may be born in a castle, and play in a costly conservatory, and feed high bred pointers, and angle for goldfish in artificial ponds, and be familiar with princes, yet God may better have fitted us for a carpenter's shop, or dentist's forceps, or a weaver's shuttle, or a blacksmith's forge. The great thing is to find just the sphere for which God intended us and then to occupy that sphere and occupy it forever. Here is a man God fashioned to make a plow. There is a man God fashioned to make a constitution. The man who makes the plow is just as honorable as the man who makes the constitution

There is a woman who was made to fashion a robe, and yonder is one intended to be a queen and wear it. It seems as though that in the one case as in the other God appoints the sphere, and the need is just as respectable in his sight as the scepter. I do not know but that the world would long ago have been saved if some of the men out of the ministry were in it and some of those who are in it were out of it. I really think that one-half the world may be divided into two quarters—those who have not found their sphere and those who, having found it, are not willing to stay there. How many are struggling for a position a little higher than that which God intended them! The bondswoman wants to be mistress. Hagar keeps crowding Sarah. The small wheel of a watch which beautifully went treading its golden pathway wants to be the balance wheel, and the sparrow with cheery drops into the brook because it cannot, like the eagle, cut a circle under the sun.

Joy of Contentment.

In the Lord's army we all want to be brigadier generals! The sloopsays: "More mast, more tonnage, more canvas. Oh, that I were a topsail schooner, or a full rigged brig, or a Cunard steamer!" And so the world is filled with cries of discontent because we are not willing to stay in the place where God put us and intended us to be. My friends, be not too proud to do anything God tells you to do; for the lack of a right disposition in this respect the world is strewn with wandering Hagar and Ishmaels. God has given each one of us a work to do. You carry a scuttle of coal up that dark alley. You distribute that Christian tract. You give \$10,000 to the missionary cause. You for 15 years sit with chronic rheumatism, displaying the beauty of Christian submission. Whatever God calls you to, whether it win hissing or huzzas; whether to walk under triumphal arch or lift the set out of the ditch; whether it be to preach on a Pentecost or tell some wanderer of the street of the mercy of the Christ of Mary Magdalene; whether it be to weave a garland for a laughing child on a spring morning and call her a May queen, or to comb out the tangled locks of a waif of the street and cut up one of your old dresses to fit her out for the sanctuary—do it, and do it right away. Whether it be a crown or yoke, do not flinch. Everlasting honors upon those who do their work, and do their whole work, and are contented in the sphere in which God has put them, while there is wandering and exile and desolation and wilderness for discontented Hagar and Ishmael.

Again, I find in this oriental scene a lesson of sympathy with woman when she goes forth trudging in the desert. What a great change it was for this Hagar! There was the tent, and all the surroundings of Abraham's house, beautiful and luxurious, no doubt. Now she is going out into the hot sands of the desert. Oh, what a change it was! And in our day we often see the wheel of fortune turn. Here is some one who lived in the very bright home of her father. She had everything possible to administer to her happiness—plenty at the table, music in the drawing room, welcome at the door. She is led forth into life by some one who cannot appreciate her. A dissipated soul comes and takes her out in the desert. Cruelties blot out all the lights of that home circle. The harsh words wear out her spirits. The high hope that shone out over the marriage altar while the ring was being set, and the vows given, and the benediction pronounced, have all faded with the orange blossoms, and there she is today broken hearted, thinking of past joys and present desolation and coming anguish! Hagar in the wilderness!

Woman's Responsibilities.

Here is a beautiful home. You cannot think of anything that can be added to it. For years there has not been the suggestion of a single trouble. Bright and happy children fill the house with laughter and song. Books to read. Pictures to look at. Lounges to rest on. Cup of domestic joy full and running over. Dark night drops. Pillow hot. Pulses flutter. Eyes close. And the foot whose well known steps on the doormat brought the whole household out at eventide crying, "Father's coming!" will never sound on the doormat again. A long, deep grief plowed through all that brightness of domestic life. Paradise lost. Widowhood. Hagar in the wilderness!

How often is it we see the weak arm of woman conscripted for this battle with the rough world. Who is she going down the street in the early light of the morning, pale with exhausting work, not half slept out with the slumbers of last night, tragedies of suffering written all over her face, her lusterless eyes looking far ahead, as though for the coming of some other trouble? Her parents called her Mary or Bertha or Agnes on the day when they held her up to the font and the Christian minister sprinkled on the infant's face the washings of a holy baptism. Her name is changed now. I hear it in the shuffle of the worn-out shoes. I see it in the lineaments of the woe begone countenance. Not Mary nor Bertha nor Agnes, but Hagar in the wilderness. May God have mercy upon woman in her toils, her struggles, her hardships, her desolation, and may the great heart of divine sympathy enclose her forever!

Again, I find in this oriental scene the fact that every mother leads forth tremendous destinies.

You say, "That isn't an unusual scene, a mother leading her child by the hand." Who is it that she is leading? Ishmael, you say. Who is Ishmael? A great nation is to be founded—a nation so strong that it is to stand for thousands of years against all the armies of the world. Egypt and Assyria thunder against it, but in vain. Gauls brings up his army, and his army is smitten. Alexander decides upon a campaign, brings up his hosts and dies. For a long while that nation monopolizes the learning of the world. It is the nation of the Arabs. Who founded it? Ishmael, the lad that Hagar led into the wilderness. She had no idea she was leading forth such destinies. Neither does any mother. You pass along the street and see and pass boys and girls who will yet make the earth quake with their influence.

"As the Twig Is Bent."

Who is that boy at Sutton pool, Plymouth, England, barfooted, wading down into the slush and slime until his bare foot comes upon a piece of glass and he lifts it, bleeding and pain struck? That wound in the foot decides that he be a student. That wound by the glass in the foot decides that he shall be John Kito, who shall provide the best religious encyclopedia the world has ever had provided, and with his other writings as well throwing a light upon the world of God such as has come from no other man in this century. O mother, mother, that little hand that wanders over your face may yet be lifted to hurl thunderbolts of war or prodigal benedictions! That little voice may blaspheme God in the groshop or cry "For-

ward!" to the Lord's hosts as they go out for their last victory. My mind this morning leaps 30 years ahead, and I see a merchant prince of New York. One stroke of his pen brings a ship out of Canton. Another stroke of his pen brings a ship into Madras. He is mighty in all the money markets of the world. Who is he? He sits on Sabbaths beside you in church. My mind leaps 30 years forward from this time and I find myself in a relief association. A great multitude of Christian women have met together for a generous purpose. There is one woman in that crowd who seems to have the confidence of all the others, and they all look up to her for her counsel and for her prayers. Who is she? This afternoon you will find her in the Sabbath school, while the teacher tells her of that Christ who clothed the naked and fed the hungry and healed the sick. My mind leaps forward 30 years from now, and I find myself in an African jungle, and there is a missionary of the cross addressing the natives, and their dusky countenances are irradiated with the glad tidings of great joy and salvation. Who is he? Did you not hear his voice today in the opening song of your church service?

My mind leaps forward 30 years from now, and I find myself looking through the wickets of a prison. I see a face scarred with every crime. His chin on his open palm, his elbow on his knee—a picture of despair. As I open the wicket, he starts and I hear his chain clank. The jailkeeper tells me that he has been in there now three times—first for theft, then for arson, now for murder. He steps up on the trapdoor, the rope is fastened to his neck, the plank falls, his body swings into the air, his soul swings off into eternity. Who is he, and where is he? This afternoon playing kite on the city commons. Mother, you are now hoisting a throne or forging a chain; you are kindling a star or digging a dungeon!

Child Follows Parent.

A Christian mother a good many years ago sat teaching lessons of religion to her child, and he drank in those lessons. She never knew that Lamphier would come forth and establish the Fulton street prayer meeting, and by one meeting revolutionize the devotions of the whole earth and thrill the eternities with his Christian influence. Lamphier said it was his mother who brought him to Jesus Christ. She never had an idea that she was leading forth such destinies. But, oh, when I see a mother reckless of her influence, rattling on toward destruction, garlanded for the sacrifice with unseemly mirth and godlessness, dancing on down to perdition, taking her children in the same direction, preparing them for a life of frivolity, a death of shame and an eternity of disaster, I cannot help but say, "There they go, there they go—Hagar and Ishmael!" I tell you there are wilder deserts than Beersheba in many of the fashionable circles of this day. Dissipated parents leading dissipated children. Avaricious parents leading avaricious children. Prayerless parents leading prayerless children. They go through every street, up every dark alley, into every cellar, along every highway. Hagar and Ishmael! And while I pronounce their names, it seems like the moaning of the desert wind, "Hagar and Ishmael!"

I learn one more lesson from this oriental scene, and that is that every wilderness has a well in it. Hagar and Ishmael gave up to die. Hagar's heart sank within her as she heard her child crying: "Water! Water! Water!" "Ah," she says, "my darling, there is no water! This is a desert." And then God's angel said from the cloud, "What aileth thee, Hagar?" And she looked up and saw him pointing to a well of water, where she filled the bottle for the lad. Blessed be God that there is in every wilderness a well, if you only know how to find it—fountains for all these thirsty souls! On that last day, on that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, "If any man thirst, let him come to me and drink." All these other fountains you find are mere mirages of the desert. Paracelsus, you know, spent his time in trying to find out the elixir of life—a liquid, which, if taken, would keep one perpetually young in this world and would change the aged back again to youth. Of course he was disappointed. He found not the elixir. But here I tell you of the elixir of everlasting life bursting from the "Rock of Ages," and that drinking that water you shall never get old, and you will never be sick, and you will never die. "Ho, every one that thirsteth, come ye to the waters!" Ah, here is a man who says, "I have been looking for that fountain a great while, but can't find it." And here is some one else who says, "I believe all you say, but I have been trudging along in the wilderness and can't find the fountain." Do you know the reason? I will tell you. You never looked in the right direction. "Oh," you say, "I have looked everywhere. I have looked north, south, east and west, and I haven't found the fountain." Why, you are not looking in the right direction at all.

A Well In Every Desert.

Look up, where Hagar looked. She never would have found the fountain at all, but when she heard the voice of the angel she looked up and she saw the finger pointing to the supply. And, O soul, if today with one earnest, intense prayer you would only look up to Christ, he would point you down to the supply in the wilderness. "Look unto me, all ye ends of the earth, and be ye saved; for I am God, and there is none else!" Look! Look, as Hagar looked!

Yes, there is a well for every desert of bereavement. Looking over any audience I notice signs of mourning and woe. Have you found consolation? Oh, man bereft, oh, woman bereft, have you found consolation? Hearse after hearse. We step from one grave hillock to another grave hillock. We follow corpses, ourselves soon to be like them. The world is in mourning for its dead. Every heart has become the sepulcher of some buried joy. But sing ye to God; every wilderness has a well in it, and I come to that well today, and I begin to draw water for you from that well.

If you have lived in the country, you have sometimes taken hold of the rope of the old well sweep, and you know how the bucket came up, dripping with bright, cool water. And I lay hold of the rope of God's mercy, and I begin to draw on that gospel well sweep, and I see the buckets coming up. Thirsty soul! Here is one bucket of life! Come and drink of it. "Whosoever will, let him come and take of the water of life freely." I pull away again at the rope, and another bucket comes up. It is this promise: "Weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." I lay hold of the rope again, and I pull away with all my strength, and the bucket comes up, bright and beautiful and cool. Here is the promise: "Come unto me, all ye who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest."

A New Astrology.

The old astrologers used to cheat the people with the idea that they could tell

from the position of the stars what would occur in the future, and if a cluster of stars stood in one relation, why, that would be a prophecy of evil; if a cluster of stars stood in another relation, that would be a prophecy of good. What superstition! But here is a new astrology in which I put all my faith. By looking up to the star of Jacob, the morning star of the Redeemer, I can make this prophecy in regard to those who put their trust in God: "All things work together for good to those who love God." Do you love him?

Have you seen the nycatanthes? It is a beautiful flower, but it gives very little fragrance until after sunset. Then it pours its richness on the air. And this grace of the gospel that I commend to you now, while it may be very sweet during the day of prosperity, it pours forth its richest aroma after sundown. And it will be sundown with you and me after awhile. When you come to go out of this world, will it be a desert march, or will it be drinking at a fountain?

A converted Hindoo was dying, and his heathen comrades came around him and tried to comfort him by reading some of the pages of their theology, but he waved his hand, as much as to say, "I don't want to hear it." Then they called in a heathen priest, and he said, "If you will only recite the Nymtra, it will deliver you from hell." He waved his hand, as much as to say, "I don't want to hear that." Then they thought perhaps he was too weary to speak, and they said, "Now, if you can't say 'Juggernaut,' think of me." He shook his head again, as much as to say, "No, no, no!" Then they bent down to his pillow, and they said, "In what will you trust?" His face lighted up with the very glories of the celestial sphere as he cried out, rallying all his dying energies, "Jesus!" Oh, come this hour to the fountain! I will tell you the whole story in two or three sentences. Pardon for all sin. Comfort for all trouble. Light for all darkness. And every wilderness has a well in it.

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RATIO OF THE METALS.

To Raise It Above 16 to 1 Would Mean Needless Loss.

BULLION PRICE CUTS NO FIGURE.

Weakness of the Scheme to Change the Exchange Value of Gold and Silver Exposed—Dishonesty of the Proposed Transaction—An Absurd Idea.

In his recent article to the New York Journal, Mr. Bryan sets out with his usual clearness and force the principle reason why the ratio of 16 to 1 should be adhered to. In view of the fact that the great bulk of the silver coin in the world, some \$4,000,000,000, is struck at ratios from 14 to 16, the most of it at 15½ and 15, there can be no doubt that 16 to 1 is the logical ratio for us to adopt. It places the value of silver sufficiently low to prevent the melting down and recoinage at our mint of any considerable amount of foreign coin and at the same time it is near enough to the standard European ratio of 15½ to preserve substantial harmony.

There is, as he intimates, a great question of equity involved in the maintenance of this ratio which existed from 1834 to 1873, and it exists now. To first demonetize the metal, destroy a large part of the demand for it, thus lowering its value compared with gold, and then remonetize it at a lower valuation, is a dishonest transaction on its face. The market price of silver bullion cuts very little figure in the question, because the bullion on the market constitutes but a small fraction of the total stock. Whether that bullion be rated at 57 cents an ounce or \$1.20 makes no practical difference. It is simply a question of whether we can absorb and use the surplus—the quantity left after the wants of other nations have been supplied. If we can do this, every other nation and individual wanting silver must pay as much for it as it is worth at our mint and thus help sustain our ratio.

The idea that we must take all the silver in the world is absurd. Every nation uses large quantities of silver and will continue to do so. The only difference is that now there is not a sufficient coinage demand to take the surplus at the ratio of 15½ or 16. Consequently there is a steady scramble on the part of the owners to sell.

As silver is an imperishable commodity which can be and is carried ever indefinitely, the tendency of even a small surplus is to force the price lower and lower. While, as before stated, with our mint open and 75,000,000 of American people putting forth an unceasing and increasing demand for it, there is scarcely a doubt that the market price would follow our coinage ratio.

It is sometimes asked why did not our ratio control the market prior to 1873? The answer is that there were then other important nations, with France in the lead, coining the silver at a higher value than we gave it. But those mints being now closed, that disturbing influence is removed and our ratio would in all probability control the market. It is also said that the opening of our mint at 16 to 1 would keep France and other countries from opening theirs at 15½. That is not a serious objection. If those countries really want to resume coinage an agreement upon the ratio would be an easy matter. We would change to 15½, and the difference would more than pay for the recoinage of the entire mass of our silver dollars, or the countries which formerly coined at 15½ could resume at 16, gradually replacing the old coin with new. The former would be better and more profitable action.

TAX INJUSTICE.

Protection Levies Taxes on the Poor For the Benefit of the Wealthy.

In an eloquent peroration on the "Obligations of Wealth" ex-President Harrison arraigned wealthy citizens who evade tax burdens as men who strike a deadly blow at free government.

Paraphrasing Lincoln's remark that this country could not exist half slave and half free, he declared that this country could not exist half taxed and half free.

But, having arraigned tax dodging as an assault on free government, and, therefore, a crime, Mr. Harrison has no better remedy to offer than an appeal to the patriotism of those who are guilty of it.

This is not a promising remedy. It is not to be expected that men whom neither honesty nor patriotism restrains from lying about and concealing their possessions to cheat the state, will rush to the taxgatherer to do penance at the call of a political evangelist.

When thieves repent and bring back their plunder, taxdodgers may be expected to render just accounts of their wealth.

If the ex-president had no remedy to offer for this great evil, he might at least have insisted that the government keep out of the crime of levying discriminating burdens. If wealth will not submit to just taxation, the government should at least refrain from laws which levy taxes on the poor for the benefit of the wealthy. General Harrison ought to have smashed robber protection.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

Enemy of Labor.

The Democratic party is always the friend of the workingman, while the bond between the Republican party and the trusts and corporations makes it their natural enemy. Wherever the latter has had the courage of its convictions it has legislated in favor of the wealthy and tried to crush labor.

The Dingley Deficit.

If it had not been for the Dingley deficit, we would have some \$50,000,000 more in the treasury as a contingent war fund.

NEWS OF THE STATE.

TELEGRAPHIC REPORTS OF HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN.

Items Called Out for the Benefit of Our Own Readers—News of the Past Few Days Which Will Be of General Interest to Michigan People.

Detroit, March 14.—In view of the extra session of the Michigan legislature called by the governor to assemble next week to consider Governor Pinckney's measures for increasing the taxes upon railroads, the governor last evening issued a proclamation warning members of the legislature and state officers against accepting passes: The governor quotes state laws making offering or accepting of such gifts with intent to influence official acts punishable by heavy fines and imprisonment.

He adds that violations of these statutes have been so common that he intends to do his utmost to have them enforced. The governor inveighs against acceptance of reduced rates of fare even by clergymen, because, he alleges, it lessens the revenue derived by the school fund from taxation of railroad earnings.

BEEF-SUGAR REFINERY.

Proposition to Put \$500,000 in a Plant at Kalamazoo.

Kalamazoo, Mich., March 12.—A proposition is on foot to build a big beef-sugar refinery. A mass-meeting of farmers has been called for March 26 to discuss the matter. T. P. Welsh of Nebraska, who has been associated with Professor Salish, the French expert, will address the meeting. It is proposed to put \$500,000 in the project. The first year the farmers will have to learn how to grow beets.

Attorney N. H. Stewart says if the state bounty law means what it says he can raise the \$500,000 stock in three days. A chart of experiments in sugar-beet growing in Michigan shows Kalamazoo is at the head. The chamber of commerce approves the scheme. Secretary C. G. Townsend says it will not be difficult to get the capital for the factory, provided contracts could be made for growing from 4,000 to 10,000 acres of sugar beets. Part of the stock probably will be taken by farmers. Secretary Townsend has received many letters offering capital freely for the project.

Michigan Populists.

Lansing, Mich., March 11.—The conference committees of Michigan Populists were unable to come to an agreement yesterday. The straightout faction finally issued an ultimatum to the fusionists to join them in issuing a call for a convention to nominate a straight Populist ticket. This was rejected by the fusionists, and the anti-fusionists issued a call for a convention to be held at Grand Rapids, June 21. The fusionists then appointed a committee of fifteen to meet with other parties who will meet in Detroit April 5, when it is expected a call will be issued for a state fusion convention.

Street Cars Tied Up at Saginaw.

Saginaw, Mich., March 12.—All the street car lines in the city are tied up and the people are walking in a pouring rain. The ninety conductors and motormen went on strike by order of a committee of the local branch of the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees. All cars on the Union and Consolidated lines were promptly headed for the barns. The men demand regular hours and pay for overtime. They have been working fourteen to sixteen hours daily. The receivers of the road declined to accede to their request. The public seem to sympathize with the employees.

Narrow Escape from Death.

Menominee, Mich., March 11.—A farmer named Herman Jacobson of Cedar River and his 10-year-old son drove into an open space in the ice while returning to his home from this city and had a narrow escape from drowning. The ice had been taken out by a local firm. They were rescued by some men from a machine shop who heard their cries for help. The horse was also rescued. About \$50 worth of provisions, which Jacobson had purchased here, were lost. Both Mr. Jacobson and the boy are in a critical condition as a result of the exposure. They were in the water fifteen minutes.

More Honor for Alger.

Lansing, Mich., March 16.—Although Secretary of War Alger was the first Michigan man to join the Grand Army of the Republic and was the first commander of the Michigan department, the latter fact has been lost sight of and he established a few months ago by the recovery of lost records. These were accepted at the last national encampment, and the commander and adjutant of the Michigan department have just returned from Washington, where they presented General Alger with a past department commander's badge.

Doesn't Think They'll Be Needed.

Lansing, Mich., March 11.—The secretary of war has responded to the communication of the local Grand Army post, in which he was advised of the post's action in unanimously adopting resolutions offering the services of 200 veterans to the government in case war is declared. "While it is the source of great satisfaction," says General Alger, "to know that the patriotism of the veterans of the late war is as strong as ever, it is not now anticipated that any condition will arise to put their patriotism to the test."

Disastrous Boom in a River.

Crosswell, Mich., March 15.—The Black river is the highest in twenty years. Ice has carried away the north bridge approaches. The middle bridge was torn down. Six feet of water covers the east approach of the south bridge, and communication is cut off from the west side. The river is still rising and a bad flood is feared.

Big Smoke of Cheap Cigars.

Marquette, Mich., March 11.—Fire in the cigar manufactory at the branch prison damaged about 250,000 cheap cigars. Swisher Bros. of Columbus, O., who run the factory, will lose about \$2,000 over insurance.

Death of Sylvester A. Ward.

Niles, Mich., March 14.—Sylvester A. Ward, father of Montgomery Ward, died here. Mr. Ward was born in Chatham, N. J., March 9, 1815. He was married to Julia A. Green at Auburn, N. J., Dec. 7, 1841. His widow and seven chil-

dren, two sons and five daughters, survive him. Mr. Ward was highly respected by the people of Niles, among whom he had lived for half a century.

"What a Great Matter," Etc.

Lansing, Mich., March 14.—A rehearing in the case of Ledewyk vs. La Croix was asked for in the supreme court on account of a strange error in the printed record, which consisted merely of the alteration of a single letter. A witness had testified that one of the parties was entitled to the "rent" of some property, but the type made her testimony read the "rent" of the property, and upon this testimony hinged the entire case.

Without a Peer—Works Miracles.—Dr. Agnew's Cure for the Heart is without a peer. This great remedy relieves instantly the most aggravated and distressing forms of heart disease. It is the surest and quickest acting formula for heart trouble known to medical science and thousands of times has the hand of the grim destroyer been stayed by its use. It is palpitation, shortness of breath, pain in left side, smothering sensations, don't delay or you may be counted in the long list of those who have gone over to the great majority, because the best remedy in the today was not promptly used.

—17. Sold by Heber Walsh.

The financial straits of Spain render it sheer madness on her part to engage in a war with the United States. This is what chiefly makes for a peaceful solution of the Cuban affair. The Spanish nation is at the mercy of the great bankers of Europe. Should the Rothschilds and their associates withdraw their assistance, Spain would be a hopeless financial derelict. She is today doing business on borrowed money. The bulk of her revenue has been cut off by the insurrection in Cuba and the Philippine islands. The people of Spain are already so heavily taxed that not another peseta can be wrung from them. Deserted by the money lenders, Spain would be bankrupt, helpless, powerless for good or evil. In this condition of things the Sagasta government will exhaust every expedient to preserve friendly relations with the United States. War would mean defeat for Spain, and defeat would be followed by revolution, anarchy and the repudiation of the public debt.

Fossil Pills.—The demand is proof of their worth.—Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills are beating out many fossil formulas at a quarter a box.—They're better medicine—Easier doses and 10c a vial. A thousand ailments may arise from a disordered liver. Keep the liver right and you'll not have Sick Headache, Biliousness, Nausea, Constipation, and Sallow Skin.—20. Sold by H. Walsh.

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Splendid stationery in boxes, latest styles, at

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Change in dates for Civil Service Examinations.

The U. S. Civil Service Commission has ordered that the usual dates for the regular semi-annual postoffice, custom-house and internal revenue examinations for 1898 be so changed as to allow the widest possible use of the first, second and third grade basis series of examination questions in all examinations of corresponding grades. This means that spring examinations for the services named above will be held during the time the departmental examinations are being conducted. The exact date for each has not yet been fixed but it is safe to say that the postoffice examination will be held between March 15 and April 25, 1898.

No application for this examination will be accepted unless filed in proper form by March 1, 1898. Such blanks can be obtained from A. J. WESTVEER, Sec'y Local Board of Examiners, Holland, Mich.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES.

School supplies of all kinds, blank books, pens, inks, paper, text books, tablets, etc. Martin & Huizinga.

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See the great cut sale prices in dress goods, capes and jackets, at M. Notier.

An Open Letter to Mothers.

We are asserting in the courts our right to the exclusive use of the word "Castoria," and "Pitcher's Castoria," as our Trade Mark.

I, Dr. Samuel Pitcher, of Hyannis, Massachusetts, was the originator of "Pitcher's Castoria," the same that has borne and does now bear the fac-simile signature of Chas. H. Fletcher on every wrapper. This is the original "Pitcher's Castoria" which has been used in the homes of the mothers of America for over thirty years. Look carefully at the wrapper and see that it is the kind you have always bought, and has the signature of "Chas. H. Fletcher" on the wrapper. No one has authority from me to use my name except The Centaur Company of which Chas. H. Fletcher is president.

SAMUEL PITCHER, M. D.

March 8, 1897.

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J. B. HULING, Manager, Office Commercial Printing Co., 196 South Clark street, Chicago, Nov. 24, '94.

R. R. PHELPS, Esq., City:

Dear Sir—I wish to bear testimony to the great efficacy of your "Four C" remedy in throat and lung ailments. As a rule I have been skeptical of the merits of proprietary medicines, but have to confess that a test of your "Four-C" is convincing that at least one ready-made remedy is ready of use. My children all take it without the least objection from oldest to youngest, and it is particularly noticeable that benefit is almost immediate. A single dose will check most coughs in their beginning; it gives unbroken rest at night. In my family "Four-C" is simply indispensable, and I recommend it unqualifiedly.

Yours, J. B. HULING.

(This excellent remedy is for sale by Martin & Huizinga, the druggists.)

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Painless and Delightful Catarrhal Remedy, is the good word which John MacInnes, Wabash Bridge, N. S., has to say of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder, after having suffered from Catarrhal Deafness for years. In 10 minutes from the first application he had relief and after using but one bottle his hearing was restored in all its natural acuteness. Not an excuse for despairing of a cure with such a remedy within reach of you.—18. Sold by Heber Walsh.

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Lv. Muskogee... 10 00 12 20 7 55
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TRAINS EAST.

Lv. Grand Haven... 8 10 A.M.
" Holland... 8 55
" Fillmore... 9 25
" Hamilton... 9 32
" Allegan... 10 05
" Battle Creek... 10 19
Ar. Detroit... 11 39

TRAINS WEST.

Lv. Toledo... 7 30 A.M.
" Battle Creek... 11 53
" Allegan... 12 00 P.M.
" Hamilton... 2 03
" Fillmore... 2 10
" Holland... 2 25
Ar. Grand Haven... 3 10

For Sale!

159 ACRES OF LAND.

Located twelve miles north of Holland, for sale at \$7.25 per acre.

This land is part improved; small orchard; has some pine and oak timber on it and lots of stove wood; about 40 acres is marsh. Must be sold at above figure.

Inquire of JOHN LAHUIS, Three Miles North of Beaverdam, HEATH, OTTAWA Co., MICH.

MORTGAGE SALE.

Whereas default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage executed by Berend Andre to Hiram Andre now deceased and Ida Andre, his wife, dated October fifteen, 1887, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Ottawa county, Michigan, in Liber 14 of mortgages on page 325 and whereas the amount claimed to be due on said mortgage at the date of this notice for principal interest and taxes paid by Hiram Andre or by the administrator of his estate is the sum of seven hundred and one (\$701) dollars, in addition thereto a solicitors fee of twenty-five dollars as provided for in said mortgage, and no proceedings either at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the same, Notice is hereby given, that by virtue of the power of sale in said mortgage contained and the statute in such case made said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described at public auction to the highest bidder, at the front entrance of the Ottawa county courthouse in the city of Grand Haven, Ottawa county, Michigan, on

Friday, the 17th Day of June A. D. 1898,

at three o'clock in the afternoon. Said mortgaged premises are described as follows, to wit: All that certain piece or parcel of land lying and being in Georgetown, Ottawa county, Michigan, and better known and described as the North half of North East quarter of the South East quarter of Section Number twenty-six (26) in Town Number six (6) North of Range thirteen west and containing twenty acres of land according to the government survey thereof be the same more or less.

Dated March 17, 1898.

CORNELIUS ANDRE, Administrator.

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ADDITIONAL LOCAL.

The M. E. church has added fifty new members to its roll this year.

Theological student Frieling has received a call from the Reformed church at Three Oaks.

Aart Vos of this city and Nellie Van Schie of Grand Rapids were granted a marriage license this week.

The repairs on the street lighting plant were completed yesterday, and the streets were lighted last night.

The rendition of "Faust" at the opera house Wednesday evening was attended by a large audience. The play gave the best of satisfaction.

John Zwemer, who has been ill for some time is able to come out again. His many friends hope to see him as active as ever in a few days.

By reading the council proceedings our readers will see that the cash balance in the city treasury is \$6,338.56, over double that on hand a year ago.

The lecture of Geo. B. Kulp, which was to have been given next week Tuesday at the M. E. church has been postponed and the date will be announced later.

A meeting of the bicycle club was held last night at the Y. M. C. A. rooms and reports of officers were heard. Next week Thursday the annual meeting for the election of officers will be held.

One of the prettiest and most substantial wheels ever seen on our streets is the Special R. Fox Flyer ridden by Iko Sooter which was purchased last week of Breyman & Hardie, the jewelers. Iko can ride ahead of any of the boys now.

The ladies of Holland and vicinity should not forget to read the new ad of the millinery firm of Goodrich & Shaw. This wellknown firm have established a good trade and cordially invite the ladies to attend their millinery opening on Wednesday, March 30.

In order to give every one an equal opportunity to take advantage of an extraordinary sale, John Vandersluis will have a sale for 3 days during next week. The days are: Monday, Wednesday and Friday, when you can buy 2 yards of heavy, checked toweling for 5 cents, and 2 spools of Clark's machine thread for 5 cents. These goods will be sold on these days only, but the supply may not last three days, so be on hand the first day.

President Chas. Humphrey of the electric road states that the rails will be laid week after next and that Supt. Kinch will lay the track from this city to Macatawa Park in about ten days. The engine was taken to the power house yesterday. Mr. Kinch is in Dayton, Ohio, to inspect two cars which were manufactured there for this road. Two others are nearly finished and four open cars for summer traffic will be ordered.

Cards announcing the marriage of James Price and Miss Addie M. Clark on Tuesday, July 20, 1897, were received by their many friends one day this week. It was quite a surprise to all and the architect had to pass out quite a number of cigars to square himself with his many friends. Last summer the TIMES in making mention of a little trip taken by Mr. Price stated that he would probably not come back single. It transpires now that we were about correct. Mr. and Mrs. Price have the best wishes of a host of friends. They will be "at home" after April 10, at 298 West Twelfth street.



Hot Water Bottles

Are almost a necessity in any family. They relieve more pain and do it more quickly than almost any appliance known. We have a well selected stock of all kinds and prices.

Central Drug Store

One Door East of Postoffice.

John Venhuizen lost a valuable horse a few years ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Sluyter rejoice over the arrival of a son.

Dr. T. Butterfield is reported to be seriously ill from an abscess of the lungs.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. P. Cohorn, on East Seventeenth street, yesterday—a daughter.

Dr. A. Knooihuizen has about completed plans for a handsome residence on west 14th street.

The Walsh-De Roo Milling Co., talk on choice white seed oats this week and farmers should read their ad.

Farmers who have to draw loads through clay roads at present can appreciate the advantage of good roads.

The dispatches to-day announce that Spain's big torpedo fleet is on the way to Cuba and that indications point to war.

Contractors should read the notice in this issue calling for bids for furnishing materials and constructing a residence.

The K. O. T. M. will give another pedro party in their hall next Thursday evening, March 31. Everyone come and have a good time.

At this time of the year many boys find sport in going along the creeks in the evening with a lantern and pitchfork or spear, looking for suckers.

The Bay View Reading Circle will meet with Mrs. Dr. H. Kremers, on Twelfth street on Tuesday, March 29. A special program will be given for this occasion.

List of advertised letters for the week ending March 25, at the Holland, Mich., postoffice: Miss Lulu Brommell, Mrs. B. Knickles.

Cor. DeKeyser, P. M.

Captain Mitchell, who last summer commanded the steamer Music, has been appointed captain of the City of Holland, of the Holland & Chicago line. He is an experienced navigator and a genial gentleman.

Herman Timmerman of Fillmore and Miss Johanna Oldebeking of Overisel, will be married Tuesday, April 5, at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Oldebeking, at Overisel. The groom is a son of Henry Timmerman.

Mrs. M. Bertsch, the milliner, will have a grand millinery opening next Wednesday, March 30, and she cordially invites the ladies of this city and vicinity to attend. She has in company with her trimmer spent considerable time in the cities to become posted on the spring and summer styles. Watch for her ad next week.

Rev. J. O. Ashenurst, a returned missionary from Egypt, will give a talk on "The Evolution of a Preacher" in the Ninth street Christian Reformed church this evening. He is a good artist in his line and his lecture will no doubt be interesting. He is well acquainted with Rev. Jeremiah Kruidenier, formerly of this city, but now missionary in Egypt.

Miss Hattie Werkman of the millinery firm of Werkman Sisters is expected home next week after a stay of nearly three weeks in Detroit. The Werkman Sisters will have their Easter opening next week Friday and Saturday, April 1 and 2, and they will be pleased to have every lady attend. There will be no cards out, so this invitation is to all. Look for their ad next week.

Dr. W. P. Scott of Chicago, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Scott, of Columbia ave., and Ninth street, who has held the position of clerk of the clinic of the dental department of the Northwestern University for the last six months, has accepted the position of assistant superintendent of the same college for one year, commencing April 1. The doctor is well known in this city and his many friends will be pleased to hear of his success.

The entertainment given by the Cosmopolitan Novelty Co., on Monday and Tuesday evenings was excellent and deserved a larger attendance. The moving pictures were the best that have been shown here, the illustrated songs were a decided novelty and the scenes of "A Trip to the Klondike," both by land and by water, were very interesting. The company can be recommended as giving a good entertainment.

C. E. U. EXCURSION RATES.

For the C. E. U. State Convention at Saginaw, the C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. Rys. will sell tickets on March 28 and 29, at one way fare for round trip. Return limit April 1.

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City Teachers' Examination.

The regular annual teachers' examination for the Holland City Public Schools will be held on Monday and Tuesday, March 28 and 29, 1898, in the high school building, beginning each morning at 8 o'clock.

P. H. McBRIDE, Chairman Com. on Teachers. Holland, Mich., March 10, 1898.

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This term of court promises to break all records and it is not likely that any jury cases will be brought to trial at all. At any rate there will be no criminal cases and nearly all of the cases are being put over term or dismissed. Dr. Butterfield, charged with committing an abortion, is sick. In the manslaughter case against Dr. Bos, the defense is not yet ready, and in nearly all the other criminal cases the respondents will plead guilty and appear for sentence. The liquor case of People vs Jappinga was nolle prossed upon payment of costs by defendant.

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CONGRESS IN BRIEF.

Synopsis of the Proceedings of the National Lawmakers.

Washington, March 19.—The house spent another day on the postoffice appropriation bill, but only discussed two pages of the bill. Most of the day was devoted to a debate on the merits of the pneumatic tube mail service in New York, Boston, and Philadelphia, and the advisability of continuing the existing contract. An amendment was adopted making it a misdemeanor for any person to "pad" the mails during the period when the mails are being weighed to determine the compensation to be paid to the railroads for their transportation.

Washington, March 21.—The house Saturday passed the postoffice appropriation bill. The main points of attack were the appropriations of \$30,000,000,000 for railway transportation of mails and \$171,000 for special facilities between New York and New Orleans, and \$25,000 for special facilities from Kansas City to Newton, Kan. All efforts to reduce the appropriation for railroad transportation signally failed. By neat parliamentary maneuvering the opponents of the subsidy were prevented from getting a direct vote on a motion to recommit with instructions. Dingley introduced a bill providing for the free entry until Jan. 1, 1899, of all munitions of war for the government. It was passed, but not until the Democrats had asked what had become of the doctrine that the "foreigner pays the tax."

Washington, March 22.—The senate yesterday did some routine business and passed a resolution asking the interior office for information as to the number of all classes of pensioners, including the percentage of men, women and children, carried on the rolls. Bacon of Georgia introduced a resolution amending the Hawaiian annexation resolution so as to require a vote of the real people of Hawaii before annexation. An executive session was held. The house unanimously passed the bill for the relief of the survivors and victims of the Maine disaster, and at a night session favorably acted upon nineteen pension bills.

Washington, March 23.—The time in the senate yesterday was devoted to discussion of the national quarantine and Alaska government bills, without action, the day being devoted to speech-making. A few unimportant bills were passed.

The debate in the house was on a contested election, the naval appropriation being reported, but not taken up.

TRACK FOR THE BIKE MEET.

Indianapolis Preparing to Entertain the League of American Wheelmen.

Indianapolis, March 22.—The track for the National L. A. W. meet here in August will be within two and one-half miles of the center of the city. A company with \$30,000 stock, all taken, has been formed to build the track. The stock is taken by local capitalists and the Citizen's Street Railway company. The track will be three laps to the mile, thirty-five feet in the home stretch and twenty-five feet in the back stretch. It will probably be built of wood, although some of the members of the club support cement on account of its durability. The stand will be built to accommodate 15,000 people. Work will begin next week.

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